## **County of Nueces**

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## BARBARA CANALES

County Judge Nueces County Courthouse, Room 303 901 Leopard Street Corpus Christi, Texas 78401-3697

## COMMISSIONERS COURT RESOLUTION IN RECOGNITION OF DUKE IT OUT BOXING CLUB

WHEREAS, the Duke It Out Boxing Club has been in operation since 2018 and is located at 4528 Baldwin Blvd, Corpus Christi, TX and is currently training boxers from the age of 7 to 22 years old; and,

WHEREAS, coach Duke started his dream of opening his own gym in his garage with just 3 boxers. They traveled all over Texas for boxing events. The Duke It Out Boxing Club is now a non-profit organization with over 20 boxers and offers a safe and bully free environment that teaches kids the fundamentals of boxing, the tools they need to succeed in life by building confidence, self-esteem, respect and discipline. His goal is to help them achieve physical and mental goals they didn't think was possible. Most of the kids that attend have been bullied, have self-esteem issues and working with them can change their life by giving the confidence they need to help get them in shape and at the same time help them improve their grades, become more outgoing, have life goals, happiness and help them be part of a Brother/Sister Hood that will last a lifetime; and,

WHEREAS, the 3 coaches at Duke It Out Boxing Club are all volunteers helping kids stay off the streets, away from gangs, drugs and preparing them to be future leaders of our community. Head Coach Andres Luis, aka, "Duke" is a graduate of Miller High School and is a 5 - time Golden Glove Champion, he also attended the 1992 Olympic trials for boxing when Oscar De La Hoya attended. Assistant Coach Joe De La Paz, aka, Coach Joe is a graduate of Moody High School and is an amateur boxer and was also a contestant at the 2001 Tough Man Contest. Training coach Eric Martinez, aka, Coach Eric is a graduate of Mathis ISD and was named 2006-2007 1st team all-district defensive back and the 2008 record holder for the 800M relay for Mathis ISD; and,

WHEREAS, the Duke It Out Boxing Club has received many awards in 2018 & 2019 such as; 2019 Team trophy Award at Golden Gloves, 7-0 at 2019 Golden Gloves, 2019 Junior Olympics-4 Gold Medals, 2 Silver Medals and Best Fight of the Night Award, 2019 2nd Annual Albert Leal Classic at American Bank Center 4-0, 2019 Back to school Boxing Bash 8-0

WHEREAS, the Vision Statement - To offer our program to our future generations to learn the fundamentals of boxing to achieve success not only in the ring but also outside the ring regardless of their financial circumstances. We will find the financial backing to help support our program to keep our doors open to the community. We want to be able to help every boxer achieve success;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE NUECES COUNTY COMMISSIONERS COURT, hereby commends the Duke It Out Boxing Club, non-profit organization, for their tremendous contribution to the youth of our community.

DULY ADOPTED BY VOTE OF THE COMMISSIONERS COURT OF NUECES COUNTY, TEXAS, ON THE 8th DAY

OF JANUARY, 2019.

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ATTEST