



RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, Harris County Commissioners Court congratulates Dr. Ana Yáñez-Correa for her five years of service to Harris County and the Office of Justice and Safety. She was born in Mexico and immigrated to the U.S. when she was ten years old. Dr. Yáñez-Correa earned a Bachelor of Science in Criminal Justice, a Master of Public Administration, and a Doctor of Philosophy from the University of Texas in Policy and Planning in Education Administration, focusing her dissertation on the school-to-prison pipeline. Dr. Yáñez-Correa has served as Policy Director for the League of United Latin American Citizens (LULAC) of Texas and as Executive Director for the Texas Criminal Justice Coalition, and she launched the Texas Smart-on-Crime Coalition before joining Harris County in 2018; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Ana Yáñez-Correa began her career in Harris County with the Office of Precinct One Commissioner in 2018, leading the Community Engagement and Policy teams. Dr. Yáñez-Correa consistently worked to integrate a sense of equity and justice and reduce racial and ethnic disparities, with an eye toward best practices and authentic community input and design from those most impacted by past and future policies; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Ana Yáñez-Correa accomplished a great deal during her tenure at the Office of Justice and Safety. Her work there included partnering with Public Health for the *Violence Prevention Conference: A Holistic Approach to Public Safety* by coordinating and organizing local and national presenters, professionals, practitioners, and community members with public policy, law enforcement, academia, social justice, and public health backgrounds to focus on the need for change from punishment to more solutions that help communities. Dr. Yáñez-Correa also partnered with the Harris County Juvenile Probation Department to establish and manage a Youth Justice Reinvestment Fund – the first of its kind in Texas – which is a community-led, multi-million-dollar fund that re-envision public safety for youth in Harris County; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Ana Yáñez-Correa has fostered a culture of kindness, respect, empathy, love, and positivity in the Office of Justice and Safety, all while building a team who genuinely dream of and practice making our region a better place for everyone in it; and

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that Harris County Commissioners Court hereby commends

DR. ANA YÁÑEZ-CORREA

for her dedicated public service to Harris County. We thank her for her five superb years of service and wish her the best in the next chapter of her life.

ADOPTED on this **10th day of January 2023** by Harris County Commissioners Court, Harris County, Texas.

LINA HIDALGO, County Judge

RODNEY ELLIS, Commissioner
Precinct One

ADRIAN GARCIA, Commissioner
Precinct Two

TOM S. RAMSEY, P.E., Commissioner
Precinct Three

LESLEY BRIONES, Commissioner
Precinct Four

ATTEST:

Teneshia Hudspeth, County Clerk
Harris County, T E X A S