



Resolution

WHEREAS, Harris County Commissioner's Court commemorates the retirement of Deacon Daniel Gilbert. He has mentored children in the Harris County Juvenile Detention Center for the past 25 years. A native of San Antonio, Deacon Gilbert moved to Houston in 1982, where he began his work supporting underserved youth. Deacon Daniel Gilbert joined Special Youth Services of the Archdiocese of Galveston - Houston in 1996 as Pastoral Minister and immediately began visiting children in the Harris County Juvenile Detention Center; and

WHEREAS, Deacon Gilbert earned a Ph.D. in Theocentric Psychology from Liberty University, and has used his knowledge to help guide others in joy and grief. He expanded the ministry at the Harris County Juvenile Detention Center to include weekly bible study and faith sharing programs with a team of volunteers where all youth were welcomed to attend regardless of religious preferences. In addition to bible study, Deacon Gilbert also fostered initiatives such as weekly youth groups, one-on-one prayers, as well as church and museum field trips; and

WHEREAS, Deacon Daniel Gilbert extended himself beyond Harris County, visiting youth and facilitating bible study at the Gulf Coast Trades Center. In addition to his specific programs, he continues to visit youth regularly, going to court with them for support and as an advocate for many of them, following them through visits in placements. Many still keep in contact with him, as he remains known to go above and beyond in helping others; and

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

Deacon Daniel Gilbert

for his dedication to our youth in Harris County's Juvenile Detention Centers and beyond. Your legacy lives on in the changed lives of people you've supported. We wish you the best in this next chapter of your life.

ADOPTED on this 30th day of November 2021 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

R. JACK CAGLE, Commissioner
Precinct Four

ATTEST:

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