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## **PRESS RELEASE**

### **Fort Bend County Judge KP George Honors Hispanic Heritage Month with Annual Celebration**

**FORT BEND COUNTY, TX** - The Historic Fort Bend County Courthouse courtyard came alive on Saturday, October 7, 2023, as the community gathered to celebrate the 3rd Annual Hispanic Heritage Festival, presented by Fort Bend County Judge KP George. The event honored the richness of Hispanic culture, traditions, and contributions.

Performances by Fort Bend ISD and Lamar Consolidated ISD mariachi bands, traditional Loteria games, a lowrider car exhibit, and authentic Hispanic cuisine made it a day to remember for everyone in attendance.

"It's heartwarming to see our community come together in such a vibrant way," commented Judge KP George. "This festival showcases the beauty of Hispanic culture and underscores the unity and diversity that make Fort Bend County truly special. I'm honored to have witnessed our community's spirit in full display."

Judge George recognized individuals of Hispanic heritage for their service, contribution, and dedication to the community. The Honorees include Fort Bend County Sheriff's Office Captain Tiffaney Budnik, Fort Bend County Constable Precinct 3 Captain Veronica Martin, Fort Bend County Director of Animal Services Rene Vasquez, Fort Bend County Indigent Health Care Manager Martha Hernandez, St. John Fisher Catholic Church Facilities Manager Robert Salazar, and City of Stafford Councilman, Mayor Pro Tem Xavier Herrera.

Special guests included community advocate, actress, and businesswoman Karina Luna, an education and women's rights champion.

Attendees were treated to additional entertainment including musical, vocal, and dance performances, which truly embodied the essence of Hispanic culture.

Fort Bend County acknowledges all participants, families, and sponsors for their contributions to the event, highlighting the community's diverse heritage.

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