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FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

Reference: COVID-19 Novel Coronavirus, Willacy County

On this date, Willacy County office of Emergency management received confirmation from Texas Department of State Health Services of eight (8) additional COVID-19 cases. Willacy County has a total of one-thousand-one-hundred-forty-five (1145) COVID-19 confirmed cases

* **20 to 29 yrs. old : 1 Male**
* **40 to 49 yrs. old : 1 Female and 1 Male**
* **70 to 79 yrs. old : 2 Females and 1 Male**
* **80 to 89 yrs. old : 1 Female and 1 Male**

Our officials and staff continue to work very closely with our neighboring counties and state health services department. The Texas Department of State Health Services (DSHS) will conduct case investigations on this, and all positive COVID-19 cases that arise and ensure that proper isolation and 14-day quarantine is strictly adhered to. In addition, DSHS will be sure family members stay isolated and quarantined as well and will be sure the family has supplies needed to be able to stay at home and follow protocol.

This is just another reminder that this virus is in our neighborhood and with more testing being done, the more likely it will be to get another positive case. With this knowledge, citizens are urged to continue to stay at home, social distance and routinely wash hands and wear face covering, cover/block you sneeze and coughs.

DSHS has set up a hotline if you have any questions about COVID-19 and are looking for information on how to get tested at (956) 421-5505

Please continue to take all local, county, CDC and Texas DSHS recommended precautions to keep your family safe. Stay safe everyone and let’s get through this together.

Honorable Aurelio “Keter” Guerra

Willacy County Judge