Brownsville Independent School District

Agenda Category: Conference Presentation **Board of Education Meeting:** 05/05/2026

Item Title: Police Officer Itsel Salinas
Heroic and Bravery Action

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BACKGROUND:

On April 24, Officer Salinas demonstrated exemplary courage and quick thinking in response to a life-threatening emergency. A 7-year-old first-grade male student began choking in the cafeteria, creating an urgent and critical situation.

Officer Salinas immediately responded and performed the Heimlich maneuver, successfully dislodging the obstruction—believed to be a piece of tostada—from the student's airway. Her swift and decisive actions restored the student's ability to breathe and prevented a potentially tragic outcome.

Officer Salinas' professionalism, training, and commitment to student safety reflect the highest standards of the department and serve as a commendable example of dedication to duty.

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When Necessary, Additional Background May Follow This.