



**ORDER CONTINUING LOCAL STATE OF DISASTER**

STATE OF TEXAS                   §  
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COUNTY OF HIDALGO           §

WHEREAS, on March 17, 2020, the Hidalgo County Judge issued a declaration declaring a state of disaster due to public health emergency for Hidalgo County, Texas resulting from “the possibility of exposure to disease, prevent the spread of and control the risk of disease, in order to promote the public health, safety and welfare”; and,

WHEREAS, the conditions necessitating declaration of a state of disaster due to the public health emergency have continued to exist since the original disaster declaration made on March 17, 2020 as a result of “the COVID-19 virus presents an imminent threat of widespread illness, which requires emergency measures be taken”; and

WHEREAS, Section 418.108(b) of the Texas Government Code provides that a local state of disaster may not be continued for a period of excess of seven days without the consent of the governing body of the political subdivision;

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT ORDERED BY THE COMMISSIONER’S COURT of HIDALGO COUNTY, TEXAS:

1. That the recitals set forth in this Order are true and correct.
2. That the state of disaster proclaimed for Hidalgo County, Texas by the Hidalgo County Judge on March 17, 2020, shall continue until terminated by order of Hidalgo County Commissioners’ Court.
3. This Order is passed as an emergency measure and pursuant to Section 418.108 of the Texas Government Code and shall become effective on the \_\_\_\_\_ day of March, 2020.
4. That the emergency Commissioners Court Order enacted on March 19, 2020, pursuant to Chapter 418 of the Texas Government Code, shall be remain in effect, as amended and/or modified by the Commissioners Court, until the \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2020.
5. All Hidalgo County, Texas officials and employees are authorized to do any and all things necessary or convenient to accomplish the purpose of this Order.

PASSED AND ADOPTED, this \_\_\_\_\_ day of March, 2020.

APPROVED, this \_\_\_\_\_ day of March, 2020.

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Richard F. Cortez, County Judge

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David Fuentes  
Commissioner, Pct. 1

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Commissioner, Pct. 2

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Commissioner, Pct. 3

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Commissioner, Pct. 4

ATTEST:

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ARTURO GUAJARDO, JR.  
County Clerk