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HIDALGO COUNTY, TEXAS  
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## DECLARATION OF A LOCAL STATE OF DISASTER

WHEREAS, the County of Hidalgo on the 25th day of July, 2020 has suffered widespread or severe damage, injury, or loss of life or property (or there is imminent threat of same) resulting from the current or recent torrential rains, high winds, hail and possible tornadoes;

WHEREAS, the Judge of the County of Hidalgo has determined that extraordinary measures must be taken to protect the public health, safety and general wellbeing of County citizens, in order to alleviate the suffering of people and to protect or rehabilitate property; and

WHEREAS, Section 418.108(a) of the Texas Government Code provides that the presiding officer of the governing body of a political subdivision may declare a state of local disaster;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT PROCLAIMED BY THE JUDGE OF THE COUNTY OF HIDALGO:

1. That a state of disaster is declared for the County of Hidalgo, Texas;
2. That the County's Emergency Management Plan has been activated;
3. That this State of Disaster shall continue for a period of not more than seven days from the date hereof, unless the same is continued by consent of the Commissioners Court of the County of Hidalgo, Texas; and
4. Pursuant to the authority granted under the laws of the State of Texas, this declaration authorizes the County of Hidalgo to take actions necessary to protect the health and safety of persons in the County; and
5. That this proclamation shall take effect immediately from and after its issuance.

ORDERED this the 25<sup>th</sup> day of July, 2020.

*Richard F. Cortez*

Richard F. Cortez, Hidalgo County Judge

ATTEST:

*Arturo Guajardo, Jr.*  
Arturo Guajardo, Jr., County Clerk