

**ORDER CONTINUING LOCAL STATE OF DISASTER**

STATE OF TEXAS                   §  
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COUNTY OF HIDALGO           §

WHEREAS, on August 11, 2022 the County Judge issued a proclamation declaring a local state of disaster for Hidalgo County resulting from “exceptional drought conditions that pose a threat of imminent disaster”; and

WHEREAS, the conditions necessitating declaration of a state of disaster have continued to exist since the original disaster declaration made on August 11, 2022, as a result of “significantly low rainfall and prolonged dry conditions that continue to increase the thread of wildfires”; and

WHEREAS, these drought conditions “pose an imminent threat of widespread or severe damage, injury or loss of life or property”, 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 in 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:

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 County Judge on August 11, 2022, shall continue *until terminated by order of 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 August, 2022.
4. All Hidalgo County 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 August, 2022.

APPROVED, this \_\_\_\_ day of August, 2022.

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Richard F. Cortez, County Judge

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Commissioner, Pct. 1

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ATTEST:

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ARTURO GUAJARDO, JR.  
County Clerk