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**STATE OF TEXAS**

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**COUNTY OF TAYLOR**

## **RESOLUTION**

### **RESOLUTION OF THE COMMISSIONERS' COURT OF TAYLOR COUNTY, TEXAS, FURTHER MODIFYING ITS DECLARATION OF DISASTER (COVID-19)**

**WHEREAS**, on March 26, 2020, the County Judge of Taylor County, Texas, by Resolution, issued a Declaration of Local Disaster regarding COVID-19; and

**WHEREAS**, on March 31, 2020, the Commissioners' Court of Taylor County issued its Resolution of Commissioners' Court of Taylor County, Texas Modifying its Declaration of Disaster Issued on March 26, 2020; and

**WHEREAS**, since March 31, 2020, the Commissioners' Court of Taylor County has extended its local disaster declaration on a monthly basis.

**WHEREAS**, it is the intent of the Commissioners' Court of Taylor County to continue to extend its local disaster declaration for so long as the Governor of the State of Texas renews his disaster proclamation for all counties in Texas due to COVID-19 continuing a state of disaster; and

**WHEREAS**, it is the intent of the Commissioners' Court of Taylor County to continue to adopt the executive orders issued by the Governor of the State of Texas which are made in response to the continuing response to the COVID-19 statewide disaster; and

**WHEREAS**, on July 29, 2021, the Governor of the State of Texas issued his Executive Order GA-38, effective until it is modified, amended, rescinded, or superseded by the Governor, and which related to the continued response to the COVID-19 disaster; and

**WHEREAS**, on August 25, 2021, the Governor of the State of Texas issued his Executive Order GA-39, effective until it is modified, amended, rescinded, or superseded by the Governor, which related to vaccine mandates; and

**WHEREAS**, on October 11, 2021, the Governor of the State of Texas issued his Executive Order GA-40, effective until it is modified, amended, rescinded, or superseded by the Governor, which related to prohibiting vaccine mandates; and

**WHEREAS**, on May 22, 2022, the Governor of the State of Texas renewed his disaster proclamation for all counties in Texas due to the COVID-19 continuing state of disaster; and

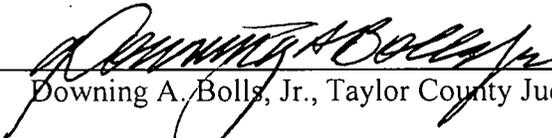
**WHEREAS**, the Commissioners' Court of Taylor County, Texas finds that it is in the public interest to authorize additional authority as described herein pursuant to the Texas Disaster Act of 1975, as amended, Texas Government Code, and provide rules to protect the health of persons in Taylor County, pursuant to the Texas Government Code and Texas Health and Safety Code.

**NOW THEREFORE, IT IS HEREBY RESOLVED, DECLARED, AND ORDERED BY THE COMMISSIONERS' COURT OF TAYLOR COUNTY, TEXAS:**

1. The foregoing recitals are incorporated herein and made findings of fact.
2. The Commissioners' Court, effective immediately, hereby renews and continues the local state of disaster for Taylor County, Texas, pursuant to Section 418.108(b) of the Texas Government Code.
3. As requested by the City of Abilene, this Resolution and Declaration does not apply to properties and places located within the city limits of the City of Abilene. **The City of Abilene's Resolution No. 82-2022 issued on May 12, 2022, further Modifying Its Extension of Declaration of Disaster (COVID-19), and any further modifications issued by the City, apply to persons, places, and activities within the city limits of Abilene.**
4. Pursuant to Section 418.108(c) of the Government Code, this renewal and continuation of the declaration of a local state of disaster shall be given prompt and general publicity and shall be filed promptly with the County Clerk.
5. Pursuant to Section 418.108(d) of the Government Code, this renewal and continuation of the declaration of a local state of disaster continues activation of the emergency management plan for Taylor County. The furnishing of aid and assistance under the declaration is hereby authorized. The appropriate preparedness and response aspects of the plan are continued.
6. The use of all available resources of Taylor County that are reasonably necessary to cope with this disaster are hereby authorized.
7. Pursuant to Section 418.108(g) of the Government Code, Taylor County may control ingress to and egress from a disaster area within Taylor County and control the movement of persons and the occupancy of premises in that area.
8. The Commissioners' Court hereby adopts and incorporates herein the Governor of the State of Texas' Executive Orders and Proclamations regarding COVID-19. In the event the Governor of the State of Texas amends or modifies his Executive Orders or Proclamations regarding COVID-19, this Resolution, Declaration, and Order is automatically amended or modified without further Commissioners' Court action to reflect said amendments or modifications to the Governor's Executive Orders or Proclamations. The express intent of the Commissioners' Court and this Resolution, Declaration, and Order is to follow the Governor's Executive Orders and Proclamations.

9. Pursuant to Section 418.173, Government Code, failure to comply with this Order is an offense punishable by a fine not to exceed \$1,000, except as otherwise provided in the Governor's Executive Orders.
10. All provisions of this Resolution, Declaration, and Order should be interpreted to effect its intent.
11. This Resolution, Declaration, and Order is effective immediately and continues in effect until such time that the Governor of the State of Texas fails to renew his monthly disaster proclamation for all counties in Texas due to COVID-19 continuing a state of disaster, unless otherwise modified, terminated, or extended by the Commissioners' Court.
12. The terms and provisions of this Resolution, Declaration, and Order shall be deemed to be severable and that if any section, subsection, sentence, clause, phrase or word herein shall be declared to be invalid or unconstitutional, the same shall not affect the validity or constitutionality of any other section, subsection, sentence, clause, phrase or word herein, and the remainder of this Resolution, Declaration, and Order shall continue in full force and effect the same as if such invalid or unconstitutional provision had never been a part hereof.

ADOPTED this 7th day of June, 2022.

  
Downing A. Bolls, Jr., Taylor County Judge

ATTEST:

  
Hon. Larry G. Beville, Taylor County Clerk

