

STATE OF TEXAS §

COUNTY OF HARDIN §

DECLARATION OF DISASTER

WHEREAS, on the <u>10TH</u> day of <u>June</u>, <u>2023</u>, Hardin County, Texas, was in imminent threat of widespread or severe damage, injury, or loss of life or property resulting from severe weather conditions countywide created by torrential rainfalls, severe thunderstorms, high speed winds, and flash flooding. Populated areas of Hardin County have been affected by flooding, and major infrastructure damage has been sustained, preventing access to or safe passage on many roadways, thus creating a public safety hazard.

WHEREAS, the Hardin County Judge has determined that extraordinary measures must be taken to protect life, as well as protect or rehabilitate property, and alleviate the suffering of people.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT PROCLAIMED BY THE HARDIN COUNTY JUDGE:

- 1. That a local state of disaster is hereby declared for Hardin County, Texas, pursuant to Section 418.108(a) of the Texas Government Code.
- 2. Pursuant to Section 418.108(b) of the Texas Government Code, This State of Disaster shall continue for a period of not more than seven (7) days from the date of this Declaration unless continued or renewed by the Hardin County Commissioners Court.
- 3. Pursuant to Section 418.108(c) of the Texas Government Code, this Declaration of a Local Disaster shall be given prompt and general publicity and shall be filed promptly with the Hardin County Clerk.
- 4. Pursuant to Section 418.108(d) of the Texas Government Code, this Declaration of a Local State of Disaster activates the Hardin Emergency Management Plan.

This Proclamation shall take effect immediately from and after its issuance, shall be promptly publicized, and filed with the Hardin County Clerk.

ORDERED this 11TH Day of June 2023.

Wayne McDaniel, County Judge

Hardin County, Texas