## COUNTY OF SAN PATRICIO

# DECLARATION OF LOCAL STATE OF DISASTER DUE TO NOVEL CORONAVIRUS

WHEREAS, the novel coronavirus (COVID-19) is recognized globally as a contagious respiratory virus and on March 11, 2020, was declared a pandemic by the World Health Organization, and

WHEREAS, the Honorable Greg Abbott, Governor of the State of Texas, on March 13, 2020 certified that COVID-19 posed an imminent threat of disaster for all counties in Texas in accordance with the authority vested to the Governor in Section 418.014 of the Texas Government Code, and

WHEREAS, the Texas Department of State Health Services is reporting 56 confirmed cases located in 17 different counties in Texas as of March 15, 2020, and

WHEREAS, some schools, universities, and other neighboring governmental entities are beginning to alter their schedules, and some venues are beginning to temporarily close, as precautionary responses to the increasing presence of COVID-19 in Texas, and

WHEREAS, the County Judge of San Patricio County has determined that extraordinary measures must be taken to prepare for, respond to, and mitigate the spread of COVID-19 to protect the health and welfare of the citizens of San Patricio County, Texas; and

WHEREAS, declaring a state of disaster will facilitate and expedite the use and deployment of resources to enhance preparedness and response.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT PROCLAIMED BY THE COUNTY JUDGE OF SAN PATRICIO COUNTY, TEXAS, THAT:

#### SECTION ONE

That the recitals set forth in this Declaration are true and correct and in accordance with the authority vested in me by Chapter 418 of the Texas Government Code, I hereby declare a state of disaster for San Patricio County, Texas.

### **SECTION TWO**

That the local state of disaster proclaimed for San Patricio County, Texas by me on March 16, 2020, shall continue for a consecutive period, pursuant to Section 418.108(b) of the Texas Government Code, as directed by the County Judge.

#### SECTION THREE

All San Patricio County officials and employees are authorized to do any and all things necessary or convenient to accomplish the purpose of this Order.

ORDERED this the 16th day of March, 2020 at 9:30 o'clock a.m.

David R. Krebs, County Judge San Patricio County, Texas

DECLARATION OF LOCAL STATE OF DISASTER was filed with the Clerk of San Patricio County, Texas on March 16, 2020.

Gracie Alaniz-Gonzales

County Clerk

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GRACIE ALANIZ-GONZALES County Clerk
San Patricio County, Texas
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