STATE OF TEXAS §

COUNTY OF POLK §

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CONTINUATION OF DECLARATION OF DISASTER

WHEREAS, the Polk County Commissioners Court met in a duly posted Regular Session on July 25, 2023 at 10:00 a.m.; and

WHEREAS, Polk County has not had significant rainfall for an extended period and weather forecasters offer little promise of a change in the hot, dry conditions in the near future; and

WHEREAS, these hot, dry conditions pose the threat of large, dangerous and fast-moving wildfires; and

WHEREAS, such fires have the potential of endangering lives and damaging property to a large scale; and

WHERAS, the County Judge of Polk County issued a Local Declaration of Disaster and Order Prohibiting Outdoor Burning on July 19, 2023 due to the threat of wildfire; and

WHEREAS, the Commissioners Court of Polk County, Texas has determined that extraordinary measures are necessary and must be taken to protect and/or rehabilitate property and are hereby ordered.

## NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT PROCLAIMED BY THE COMMISSIONERS COURT OF POLK COUNTY:

- I. That a local state of disaster was declared by the County Judge of Polk County, Texas on July 19, 2023, pursuant to Section 418.108 of the Texas Government Code, and will expire on July 26, 2023 (7 days) unless continued or renewed by the Commissioners Court.
- II. Pursuant to Section 418.108 of the Texas Government Code, the Commissioners Court of Polk County, Texas has determined that the Declaration and state of disaster shall continue for a period of thirty (30) days from this date unless further continued or renewed by the Commissioners Court of Polk County, Texas.
- III. 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 County Clerk.
- IV. Pursuant to Section 418.108(d) of the Texas Government Code, this declaration of a local state of disaster activates the county/city Emergency Management Plan.

ORDERED By the Commissioners Court of Polk County, Texas on this the  $25^{th}$  day of July, 2023.

Sydney Murphy, County Judge

Polk County, Texas

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ATTEST: Schelana Hock

County Clerk

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