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CONTINUATION OF DECLARATION OF DISASTERY

WHEREAS, the Polk County Commissioners Court met in a duly posted Special Spec

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

WHEREAS, 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 Polk County Commissioners Court extended the Local Declaration of Disaster and issued an Order Prohibiting Outdoor Burning on July 25, 2023 and again on August 22, 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:

- 1. 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 extended on July 25, 2023 and August 22, 2023, for 30-days by the Commissioners Court and will expire on September 21, 2023 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 local 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 21st day of September, 2023.

Sydney Murphy, County Judge

Polk County, Texas

ATTEST: Schelana Hock

County Clerk

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