STATE OF TEXAS

COUNTY OF POLK §



ORDER RESCINDING PROHIBITION OF OUTDOOR BURNING

WHEREAS, the Commissioners Court of Polk County, Texas issued an Order Prohibiting Outdoor Burning in the unincorporated areas of the County on October 17, 2024; and

WHEREAS, in an Emergency Session properly posted on November 5, 2024 and held this date, November 5, 2024, the Commissioners Court, pursuant to the Gov't Code §551.045, finds that the public safety hazard cited in that Order has been relieved due to sufficient rainfall; and

WHEREAS, the Polk County Office of Emergency Management and the Polk County Fire Marshal have reviewed current conditions with the Texas Forest Service and are in agreement that ending the "Burn Ban" is appropriate at this time.

THEREFORE, IT IS ORDERED by the Commissioners Court of Polk County, Texas that the Order Prohibiting Outdoor Burning is hereby RESCINDED and the prohibition on outdoor burning in the unincorporated areas of the County is no longer in effect as of November 5, 2024 at 2 p.m.

BE IT FURTHER ORDERED that the Commissioners Court, Office of Emergency Management, and Polk County Fire Marshal urge all persons to use caution in proceeding with any outdoor burning, being mindful that conditions currently present in Polk County may change quickly and that individuals burning outdoors are responsible and liable for any fire damage resulting from such burning. In addition, the Office of Emergency Management suggests that any persons contemplating the outdoor burning of a sizeable amount of debris first contact the Volunteer Fire Department in their area to receive the Department's recommendations and/or assistance.

ADOPTED this 5th day of November, 2024 by the Polk County Commissioners Court.

Sydney Murphy, County Judge

Polk County, Texas

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