

STATE OF TEXAS §

COUNTY OF WEBB §

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WEBB COUNTY, TEXAS

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**CORRECTED DECLARATION OF LOCAL STATE
OF DISASTER AND ORDER
JULY 20, 2021**

WHEREAS, the Texas Government Code §418.108 authorizes the County Judge to declare a state of disaster; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to the Texas Disaster Act of 1975, the County Judge is designated as the Emergency Management Director of the County of Webb, and may exercise the powers granted to the governor on an appropriate local scale; and

WHEREAS, on May 10, 2021 the Commissioner of Public Health, Dr. John Hellerstedt advised the Secretary of State of the State of Texas that he had, for the entire State of Texas, issued “A declaration of a Public Health Disaster Declaration, stating that the novel coronavirus (SAR-CoV-2, that causes the disease COVID-19) continues to present an immediate threat, poses a high risk of death to a large number of people and creates a substantial risk of public exposure because of the disease's method of transmission and evidence that there is community spread in Texas”; and

WHEREAS, as reported by the Texas Tribune on July 19, 2021, Texas’ coronavirus positivity rate exceeds 10% and according the City of Laredo Health Department, as of July 15, 2021 Laredo’s positivity rate is 12.5%; and

WHEREAS, Webb County has experienced the organized transportation of large numbers of individuals (refugees, immigrants and/or migrants, a significant portion of whom are unvaccinated, untested for the COVID -19 virus and COVID positive) who have been apprehended from outside Webb County and are transported into Webb County by bus and/or van for the purpose of processing and release into the community; and

WHEREAS, local resources and services available in Webb County (including those resources provided by the county, the city and non-governmental organizations) to address the unanticipated influx of these individuals has overwhelmed local resources and services to the extent that they can no longer adequately feed, house, provide medical attention or otherwise accommodate these individuals entering Webb County; and

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I, Margie Ramirez Ibarra, County Clerk, Webb County, do hereby certify that this is a true and correct copy as the same appears of record in my office.
Witness my hand and seal of office on 7/21/21 Margie Ramirez Ibarra, Webb County Clerk
By: [Signature] Deputy County Clerk

WHEREAS, the County Judge of Webb County, Texas, has determined that adequate measures must be taken to ensure the protection of the health, safety, and welfare of Webb County residents.

NOW THEREFORE, I, Tano E. Tijerina, County Judge for the County of Webb, do hereby declare a local state of disaster and certify that the transportation of refugee, immigrant and/or migrant individuals into Webb County who have been apprehended from outside the U.S. Border Patrol Laredo Sector and are transported into Webb County by bus and/or van for the purpose of processing and release into the community has created a disaster and I have further determined that extraordinary and immediate measures must be taken to further respond, prevent and alleviate the catastrophic effect on the community and do hereby **ORDER**:

- Section 1. The prohibition of the transportation of refugee, immigrant and/or migrant individuals into Webb County who have been apprehended from outside the U.S. Border Patrol Laredo Sector and are transported into Webb County by bus and/or van for the purpose of processing and release into the community.
- Section 2. That law enforcement, upon cause, stop any buses or vans they believe are engaged in the transportation of refugee, immigrant and/or migrant individuals into Webb County who have been apprehended from outside the U.S. Border Patrol Laredo Sector and are transported into Webb County by bus and/or van for the purpose of processing and release into the community and inform the operator and driver of the said bus, that pursuant to Section 418.108(g) the County Judge has prohibited the transportation of said refugee, immigrant and/or migrant individuals into Webb County and they are directed to leave Webb County.
- Section 3. Pursuant to Section 418.108(h) (1) the jurisdiction and authority of the county judge includes the incorporated and unincorporated areas of the county; and (2) to the extent of a conflict between decisions of the county judge and the mayor, the decision of the county judge prevails.
- Section 4. Effective immediately and pursuant to Section 418.108(b) of the Texas Government Code, the state of disaster shall continue for a period of not more than seven days from the date of this declaration unless earlier terminated by the County Judge or continued by the Commissioners Court of Webb County, Texas.
- Section 5. Pursuant to Section 418(c) of the Texas Government Code, this declaration of a local state of disaster shall be given prompt and general publicity and shall be filed promptly with the County Clerk of Webb County, Texas.
- Section 6. Pursuant to Section 418.108(d) of the Texas Government Code, this declaration of a local state of disaster activates the Webb County emergency plan.

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I, Margie Ramirez Ibarra, County Clerk, Webb County, do hereby certify that this is a true and correct copy as the same appears of record in my office.
Witness my hand and seal of office on July 20, 2021 at Laredo, Texas.
By: *Margie Ramirez Ibarra*
Deputy County Clerk

Section 7. Where this Declaration and Order is in conflict with any **ORDER** of the Governor of the State of Texas, the Governor's **ORDER** shall control.

Section 8. This **DECLARATION** applies to all areas of Webb County, including the City of Laredo, the City of Rio Bravo, the City of El Cenizo, Aguilares, Antonio Santos Subdivision, Botines Subdivision, Bruni, Colorado Acres, D-5 Acres, Four Points Subdivisions, Hillside Acres I, Hillside Acres II, La Coma Subdivision, La Presa Subdivision, Laredo Ranchettes Subdivision, Las Haciendas Unit I, Las Lomas I, Las Lomas II, Las Pilas I, Las Pilas II, Lewis Addition (Mirando), Los Altos Subdivision, Los Corralitos Subdivision, Los MInerales and Annex, Los Veteranos (US Hwy 59), Los Veteranos 83, Mirando City, Oilton, Old Milwaukee, Pueblo East, Pueblo Nuevo, Ranchitos 359 East, Ranchitos Los Arcos, Ranchitos Los Centenarios, Ranchitos Los Fresnos, Ranchitos Los Mesquites, Ranchitos Los Nopalitos, Ranchitos Los Veteranos 359, Rancho Penitas West, San Carlos I, San Carlos II, Tanquecitos I, Tanquecitos II.

CORRECTED ORDERED THIS 20th DAY OF JULY, 2021.



Tano E. Tijerina
Webb County Judge

ATTEST:
Margie Ramirez Ibarra
Webb County Clerk

By: _____




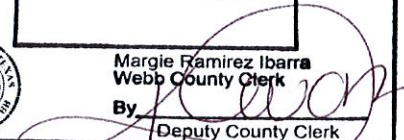
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I, Margie Ramirez Ibarra, County Clerk, Webb County, do hereby certify that this is a true and correct copy, as the same appears of record in my office.

Witness my hand and seal of office on

JUL 21 2021

 Margie Ramirez Ibarra
Webb County Clerk
By: 
Deputy County Clerk