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Amended Declaration of Local Disaster for Public Health Emergency for Kinney County

WHEREAS, on March 19, 2020, Kinney County Judge Tully Shahan signed a Declaration of Local Disaster for Public Health Emergency for the County of Kinney, Texas related to COVID - 19 pursuant to §418.108 (a) of the Texas Government Code; and

WHEREAS, the Declaration of Emergency was extended by unanimous vote of the Kinney County Commissioners Court on March 23, 2020, which extended the State of Local Disaster to COVID-19 until termination by the County Judge; and

WHEREAS, extraordinary measures must be taken to contain COVID-19 and prevent its spread throughout Kinney County; and

WHEREAS, Governor Greg Abbott issued an Executive Order on Thursday, March 19, 2020 issuing orders for Texans to adhere to certain control measures and mitigation strategies; and

WHEREAS, the Texas Commissioner of State Health Services declared a Public Health Disaster for the entire State of Texas on Thursday, March 19, 2020 and outlines certain control measures and mitigation strategies;

BE IT THEREFORE ORDERED BY THE COUNTY JUDGE OF KINNEY COUNTY:

1. Effective as of 11:59 p.m. on March 31, 2020, and continuing until further orders of this Court:

- To the extent individuals are using shared or outdoor spaces, they must at all times as reasonably as possible maintain social distancing of at least six feet from any other person when they are outside their residence.
- To the greatest extent possible, all business in Kinney County shall comply with the Social Distancing Guidelines attached, including maintaining six foot social distancing for both employees and the general public. Business are also strongly urged to maximize telecommuting and suspend or discourage nonessential employee travel. Business shall monitor the health and well-being of their employees on a daily basis and take appropriate measures to prevent the spread of COVID-19 in the workplace.
- In accordance with the Guidelines from the President and CDC, every person in Kinney County shall avoid social gatherings in groups of more than 10 people.
- All public or private gatherings of more than 10 people occurring outside a single household or residence are prohibited, except as otherwise provided herein. Nothing in this Order prohibits the gathering of members of a household or residence. This prohibition includes all non-social gatherings with the exception that a gathering can be held with more than 10 people in a space where there is a minimum of 6 feet between each individual in that gathering for the duration of the gathering. For example, a 3ft radius around an individual produces a 6' x6' square of 36 square feet. In order to conduct a business meeting or a church worship service of 20 people, the space in which the meeting is conducted must contain at least 720 square feet, which could equate to a room that is roughly 27'x27'.

- Religious institutions are strongly urged to provide religious and worship services by video and /or teleconference. Religious institutions may also be permitted to conduct worship services outdoors as long as at least six feet distance is maintained between individuals and/or family units.
 - Restaurants with or without drive-in or drive-through services and bars may only provide take out, delivery, or drive-through services as allowed by law.
 - If someone in a household has tested positive for coronavirus, the household is ordered to isolate at home for 14 days until or unless otherwise directed by the Local Health Authority. Members of the household cannot go to work, school, or any other community functions during the isolation period.
 - People shall avoid public playground equipment.
 - Governmental entities in Kinney County are encouraged to maintain essential services and infrastructure necessary for the public good and safety while complying with the spirit of this Order as much as practicable in their continued daily operations.
 - Kinney County residents are strongly encouraged to remain in their residence as much as possible and limit trips outside their residence to work and trips for essential items only. Any residents that are AT RISK, should to the greatest extent feasible, remain at home at all times.
2. Pursuant to Government Code §418.173, violation of this Order is an offense punished by fine not to exceed \$1,000.00 and/or confinement in jail not to exceed 180 days.
 3. This Amended Order does not replace the Declaration Order entered by this Court on March 19, 2020. This Order amends and adds to the March 19, 2020 Order that was extended by Commissioners Court on March 23, 2020.

ORDERED this 31st day March, 2020.



Tully Shahan
Kinney County Judge

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at 3:34 o'clock PM

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COUNTY & DISTRICT CLERK, KINNEY CO.