

**ORDER CONTINUING
DECLARATION OF STATE OF LOCAL DISASTER
FOR GALVESTON COUNTY, TEXAS**

WHEREAS, the County Judge of Galveston County, Texas declared a state of local disaster on _____, 20____ due to imminent threat from Hurricane _____;

WHEREAS, in accordance with Texas Government Code Section 418.108(b), the declaration of local state of disaster may not be continued or renewed for a period of more than seven (7) days except with the consent of the Commissioners' Court of Galveston County;

WHEREAS, unincorporated areas of Galveston County have suffered widespread or severe damage or loss of life or property on _____, 20____ from Hurricane _____;

WHEREAS, there are no utility services in the unincorporated areas of Galveston County;

WHEREAS, it is anticipated that it will take at least a month to restore utility services in the unincorporated areas of Galveston County;

WHEREAS, a declaration of disaster activates the Galveston County Emergency Management Plan;

WHEREAS, the County Judge of Galveston County has determined that extraordinary measures must be taken to alleviate the suffering of people and to protect or rehabilitate property; and

WHEREAS, the Commissioners' Court of Galveston County, Texas, pursuant to Texas Government Code Section 418.108(b), has consented to continue the declaration of local state of disaster for Galveston County, Texas.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT DECLARED BY THE JUDGE OF THE COUNTY OF GALVESTON, TEXAS, that:

- 1.) The declaration of state of local disaster for the County of Galveston, Texas resulting from _____ is hereby continued;
- 2.) This Declaration continues to activate the County's Emergency Management Plan;
- 3.) This Declaration continues to activate the recovery and rehabilitation aspects of all applicable local or interjurisdictional emergency management plans and authorizes the furnishing of aid and assistance under the Declaration, and the

preparedness and response aspects of the plans are activated as provided in the plans;

- 4.) This Declaration continuing a local state of disaster shall be effective for thirty (30) days on and from its date of issuance, provided however that this declaration may be terminated before the expiration of thirty days by subsequent order of the County Judge, and may be continued or renewed beyond thirty days from its date of issuance only with the consent of the Commissioners' Court of Galveston County, Texas;
- 5.) The sections, paragraphs, sentences, clauses and phrases of this Declaration are severable and if any phrase, clause, sentence, paragraph or section of this Declaration should be declared invalid by the final judgment or decree of any court or competent jurisdiction, such invalidity shall not affect any of the remaining phrases, clauses, sentences, paragraphs and sections of this Declaration that can be given effect without the invalid provision, and to this end the provisions of this Order are severable.
- 6.) This Declaration shall be given prompt and general publicity and shall be filed promptly with the County Clerk of Galveston County; and
- 7.) This Declaration shall take effect immediately from and after its issuance.

It is hereby **ORDERED**, this _____ day of _____, 20_____.

Mark Henry,
County Judge of
Galveston County, Texas

ATTEST:

Galveston County Clerk