



## PROCLAMATION OF LOCAL DISASTER FOR PUBLIC HEALTH EMERGENCY

**WHEREAS,** beginning in December 2019, a novel coronavirus, now designated SARS-CoV2 which causes the disease COVID-19, has spread through the world and has now been declared a global pandemic by the World Health Organization; and

**WHEREAS,** symptoms of COVID-19 include fever, coughing, and shortness of breath. In some cases, the virus has caused death; and

**WHEREAS,** the costs incurred to prepare for and respond to COVID-19 are beginning to mount at the state city and community levels; and there is a shortage of preventative supplies such as gloves, hand sanitizers, face masks and disinfection products such as Lysol and other disinfectants, and

**WHEREAS,** the State of Texas has already taken numerous steps to prepare for COVID 19, such as increasing laboratory testing capacity, coordinating preparedness efforts across state agencies, and working with local partners to promote appropriate mitigation efforts; and

**WHEREAS,** it is critical to take additional steps to prepare for, respond to, and mitigate the spread of COVID-19 to protect the health and welfare of the City of Hudson; and

**NOW, THEREFORE,** by virtue of the authority vested in me by the City of Hudson as Mayor of the City of Hudson, Texas, a Type A municipal corporation, and pursuant to Section 5-17 of the Code of Ordinances of the City of Hudson, Texas,

### I MAYOR ROBERT SMITH HEREBY DECLARE:

A local state of disaster for public health emergency for the City of Hudson, Texas pursuant to section 418.1108(a) of the Texas Government Code.

1. This state of disaster for public health emergency shall continue for a period of not more than seven days from the date of this declaration unless continued or renewed by the City Council of the City of Hudson, Texas, pursuant to section 418-108(b) of the Government Code
2. This declaration of a local state of disaster for public health emergency shall be given prompt and general publicity and shall be filed promptly with the City Secretary, pursuant to section 418-108(c) of the Government Code
3. The declaration of a local state of disaster activates the City of Hudson, Texas Emergency Management Plan and activates all other charter, statutory, and ordinance powers vested in me and all officers of the City of Hudson to act for the purposes stated, pursuant to section 418-108(d) of the Government Code.
5. That this proclamation shall take effect immediately from and after its issuance.

**IN WITNESS WHEREOF we have affixed our signatures and seal on this the 17 day of MARCH, 2020.**

**Mayor Robert Smith**

**Witness:**

**Cheryl Everett, City Secretary**

