

STATE OF TEXAS §

COUNTY OF POLK §

ORDER **RESCINDING** PROHIBITION OF OUTDOOR BURNING

WHEREAS, the Commissioners Court Polk County, Texas issued an Order Prohibiting Outdoor Burning in the unincorporated areas of the County on October 13, 2015; and

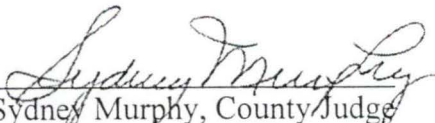
WHEREAS, in an Regular Session properly posted and held this date, October 27, 2015, the Commissioners Court, pursuant to Gov't Code §551.045, determined that recent rainfall has resolved the need for a County-wide burn ban for the unincorporated areas of Polk County and that the discontinuation of the burn ban will relieve volunteer fire departments throughout the County and thereby serve to protect public health and safety; and

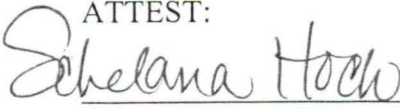
WHEREAS, the Polk County Office of Emergency Management has reviewed current conditions with the Texas Forest Service and local volunteer fire departments and is in agreement that ending the "Burn Ban" is appropriate at this time.

THEREFORE, IT IS ORDERED by the Commissioners Court of Polk County, Texas that the Order Prohibiting Outdoor Burning dated October 13, 2015 is hereby **RESCINDED** and the prohibition on outdoor burning in the unincorporated areas of the County is no longer in effect as of this date at 10:30 a.m..

BE IT FURTHER ORDERED that the Commissioners Court and the Office of Emergency Management 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 27th day of October, 2015 by unanimous vote of the Polk County Commissioners Court.


Sydney Murphy, County Judge
Polk County, Texas

ATTEST:

Schelana Hock, County Clerk