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## ORDER TO INCLUDE CITY OF LIVINGSTON, IN POLK COUNTY DECLARATION OF DISASTER ISSUED ON APPRIL 2012-24AND RENEWED BY COMMISSIONERS COURT ON MAK GOOM CLERK

WHEREAS, the Polk County Commissioners Court met in a duly posted Emergency Session on May 15, 2024 at 1:00 p.m.; and

WHEREAS, the County of Polk, Texas, and City of Livingston, Texas have experienced severe weather, creating widespread flooding, severe property damage, and dangerous conditions; and

WHEREAS, the National Weather Service anticipates additional heavy rains and significant potential for flooding in our area beginning Thursday, May 16<sup>th</sup>; and

WHEREAS, such floods have the potential of endangering lives and damaging property on a large scale; and

WHEREAS, the magnitude of the potential damage and the rapidity with which such severe weather and flooding could escalate constitute an imminent threat of disaster; and

WHEREAS, the Commissioners Court of Polk County, Texas has determined that extraordinary measures are necessary and must be taken to protect and/or rehabilitate property and are hereby ordered.

## NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT PROCLAIMED BY THE COMMISSIONERS COURT OF POLK COUNTY:

- I. That a local state of disaster was declared by the County Judge of Polk County, Texas on April 29, 2024, pursuant to Section 418.108 of the Texas Government Code.
- II. Pursuant to Section 418.108 of the Texas Government Code, the Commissioners Court of Polk County, Texas met on May 3, 2024, and determined that the Declaration and state of disaster shall be renewed for a period of 30 days from this date unless further continued or renewed by the Commissioners Court of Polk County, Texas.
- III. Pursuant to Section 418.115 of the Texas Government Code, the Commissioners Court of Polk County, Texas has determined that the Declaration and state of disaster shall be revised to include the City of Livingston for the provision of mutual aid assistance.
- III. Pursuant to Section 418.108(c) of the Texas Government Code, this declaration of a local disaster shall be given prompt and general publicity and shall be filed promptly with the County Clerk.
- IV. Pursuant to Section 418.108(d) of the Texas Government Code, this declaration of a local state of disaster activates the county/city Emergency Management Plan.

ORDERED by the Commissioners Court of Polk County, Texas on this the 15th day of May 2024.

Sydney Murphy, County Jydge Polk County, Texas

ATTEST: Schelana Hock

County Clerk

