## AMENDED EMERGENCY REGULATIONS ORDER BY THE MAYOR OF THE CITY OF NACOGDOCHES, TEXAS

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

**WHEREAS**, the symptoms of COVID-19 can range from mild to severe illness and cause further complications including death; and

WHEREAS, COVID-19 virus mainly spreads between people who are in close contact with one another through respiratory droplets produced when an infected person coughs or sneezes; and

WHEREAS, on March 13, 2020, the Governor of the State of Texas issued a proclamation certifying that COVID-19 poses an imminent threat of disaster in the state and declaring a state of disaster for all counties in Texas; and

WHEREAS, ON March 19, 2020, the Governor of the State of Texas issued Executive Order GA 08, relating to COVID-19 preparedness and mitigation, through which was ordered the adoption and enforcement of certain guidelines promulgated by the President of the United States of America and the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention; and

WHEREAS, on March 20, 2020, stating that extraordinary measures must be taken to contain COVID-19 and prevent the spread of this potentially devasting disease in our community, I, Shelley Brophy, as Mayor of the City of Nacogdoches, issued a Mayoral Declaration of Local State of Disaster Due to Public Health Emergency; and

**WHEREAS**, said state of disaster requires that certain emergency protective measures be taken pursuant to the Texas Disaster Act of 1975 relating to Emergency Management and Public Health, pursuant to Chapter 418 of the Texas Government Code; and

WHEREAS, on March 26, 2020, the City Council of Nacogdoches consented to and continued the Mayoral Declaration of Local State of Disaster Due to Public Health Emergency and that said Declaration has remained, and continues to remain in effect; and

WHEREAS, on March 29, 2020, I, Shelley Brophy, as Mayor of the City of Nacogdoches, issued a first order amending emergency regulations pursuant to the Mayoral Declaration of Local State of Disaster Due to Public Health Emergency; and

WHEREAS, on March 31, 2020, the Governor of the State of Texas issued Executive Order GA-14 relating to statewide continuity of essential services and activities during the COVID-19 disaster; and

WHEREAS, Executive Order GA-14 supersedes any conflicting order issued by local officials in response to the COVID-19 disaster to the extent that such a local order restricts essential services allowed by Executive Order GA-14 or allows gatherings prohibited by Executive Order GA-14; and

**WHEREAS**, COVID-19 has now been confirmed to be present in Nacogdoches County and the City of Nacogdoches and the confirmed number of cases continues to grow:

# NOW THEREFORE, BE IT ORDERED BY THE MAYOR OF THE CITY OF NACOGDOCHES, TEXAS:

- **SECTION 1.** That this Amended Emergency Regulations Order shall be given prompt and general publicity and filed with City Secretary.
- **SECTION 2.** That I, Shelley Brophy, Mayor of the City of Nacogdoches, have determined that extraordinary and immediate measures must be taken to respond quickly to prevent and slow down community spread of COVID-19.
- **SECTION 3.** That a local state of disaster for public health emergency has been declared for the City of Nacogdoches, Texas, pursuant to Section 418.108 of the Texas Government Code and that same has remained in effect since its declaration and will continue to remain in effect until terminated by further action of the Nacogdoches City Council.
- **SECTION 4.** That pursuant to Section 418.108(d) of the Texas Government Code, the declaration of a local state of disaster activated the City of Nacogdoches, Texas, emergency management plan, and authorizes the furnishing of aid and assistance under the declaration.
- **SECTION 5.** For purposes of this Order, the regulations set forth in Executive Order GA-14, and all amendments or additional orders related thereto, are hereby incorporated and adopted as if fully set forth herein. A copy of GA-14 is attached hereto as Exhibit A.
- **SECTION 6.** The regulations contained in the First Amended Mayoral Order enacted on March 29, 2020 are hereby continued and remain in effect to the extent that they are consistent with Executive Order GA-14 and all amendments or additions thereto.
- **SECTION 7.** Failure to comply with any of the provisions of this Order constitutes an imminent threat to public health.
- **SECTION 8.** The City of Nacogdoches must promptly provide copies of this Order by posting it on the City of Nacogdoches website. In addition, the owner, manager, or operator of any facility that is likely to be impacted by this Order is strongly encouraged to post a copy of this Order onsite and to provide a copy to any member of the public asking for a copy.
- **SECTION 9.** If any subsection, sentence, clause, phrase, or word of this Order or any application of it to any person, structure, gathering, or circumstance is held to be invalid or

unconstitutional by a decision of a court of competent jurisdiction, then such decision will not affect the validity of the remaining portions or applications of this Order.

**SECTION 10.** Everyone is asked to comply with this order voluntarily, but, pursuant to Section 418.173 of the Texas Government Code, a person who knowingly fails to comply with this declaration commits an offense punishable by a fine not to exceed \$1,000.00, confinement in jail for a term not to exceed 180 days, or both fine and confinement. Additionally, this Order authorizes the use of any other lawfully available enforcement tools.

SECTION 11. That this order shall take effect from 2:00 AM, APRIL, 2020, and remain in effect until it is either rescinded, superseded, or amended or until it expires pursuant to applicable law.

**ORDERED** this 7<sup>th</sup> day of April, 2020, at 12:10 p.m.

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Attest:

Jan Vinson, City Secretary

Shelley Brophy, Mayor

City of Nacogdoches, Texas

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# Executive Order

### BY THE GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF TEXAS

Executive Department Austin, Texas March 31, 2020

#### EXECUTIVE ORDER GA 14

Relating to statewide continuity of essential services and activities during the COVID-19 disaster.

WHEREAS, I, Greg Abbott, Governor of Texas, issued a disaster proclamation on March 13, 2020, certifying under Section 418.014 of the Texas Government Code that the novel coronavirus (COVID-19) poses an imminent threat of disaster for all counties in the State of Texas; and

WHEREAS, the Commissioner of the Texas Department of State Health Services (DSHS), Dr. John Hellerstedt, has determined that COVID-19 represents a public health disaster within the meaning of Chapter 81 of the Texas Health and Safety Code; and

WHEREAS, I have issued numerous executive orders and suspensions of Texas laws in response to the COVID-19 disaster, aimed at protecting the health and safety of Texans and ensuring an effective response to this disaster; and

WHEREAS, I issued Executive Order GA-08 on March 19, 2020, mandating certain obligations for Texans in accordance with the President's Coronavirus Guidelines for America, as promulgated by President Donald J. Trump and the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) on March 16, 2020, which called upon Americans to take actions to slow the spread of COVID-19 for 15 days; and

WHEREAS, Executive Order GA-08 is subject to expiration at 11:59 p.m. on April 3, 2020, absent further action by the governor; and

WHEREAS, on March 29, 2020, to avoid scenarios that could lead to hundreds of thousands of deaths, the President announced that, based on advice from Dr. Anthony Fauci and Dr. Deborah Birx, the restrictive social-distancing Guidelines should extend through April 30, 2020; and

WHEREAS, DSHS Commissioner Dr. Hellerstedt and White House Coronavirus Response Coordinator Dr. Birx say that the spread of COVID-19 can be reduced by minimizing social gatherings; and

WHEREAS, on March 28, 2020, the U.S. Department of Homeland Security issued its Guidance on the Essential Critical Infrastructure Workforce, Version 2.0, which provides an advisory list of critical-infrastructure sectors, workers, and functions that should continue during the COVID-19 response; and

WHEREAS, for state agencies and their employees and agents, the Office of the Attorney General of Texas has advised that local restrictions issued in response to the COVID-19 disaster do not apply to restrict the conduct of state business; and

FILED IN THE OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY OF STATE

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