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STATE OF TEXAS

COUNTY OF BRAZORIA

## **DECLARATION OF DISASTER**

WHEREAS, severe thunderstorms and tornadoes passed through Brazoria County on December 28, 2024 causing widespread damage to property and injury to persons;

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

WHEREAS, such controls, once implemented, have the potential of protecting lives and property;

BE IT THEREFORE PROCLAIMED, that I, L. M. "Matt" Sebesta, Jr., County Judge of Brazoria County, do hereby declare a state of disaster based on the destruction caused by the severe weather and tornadoes and the damage to infrastructure, power, and properties in Brazoria County, Texas; and

- 1. That a local state of disaster is hereby declared for Brazoria County, Texas pursuant to §418.108(a) of the Texas Government Code.
- 2. Pursuant to §418.108(b) of the Texas Government Code, the state of disaster shall continue for a period of not more than seven days from the date of this declaration unless continued or renewed by the Commissioners Court of Brazoria County, Texas or by the County Judge.
- 3. Pursuant to §418.108(c) of the Texas Government Code, this declaration of a local state of disaster shall be given prompt and general publicity and shall be filed promptly with the County Clerk.
- 4. Pursuant to §418.108(d) of the Texas Government Code, this declaration of a local state of disaster activates the County Emergency Management Plan and includes but is not limited to closing roads, removal of debris created by the severe storms and tornadoes and any other response materials and equipment needed with the use of Brazoria County personnel and equipment.

5. That this proclamation shall take effect immediately from and after its issuance.

ORDERED this the 20 day of December, 2024.

L. M. "Matt" Sebesta, Jr.

County Judge

Brazoria County, Texas