STATE OF TEXAS

## COUNTY OF BRAZORIA

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County Clerk

Brazoria County, Texas

## **DECLARATION OF DISASTER**

WHEREAS, Tropical Storm Harvey poses a threat of imminent disaster, including severe flooding, storm surge and damaging winds to the County of Brazoria.

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 by mitigating the threat of deaths;

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 threat of severe flooding from torrential rain, storm surge and damaging winds 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 the evacuation of residents and the removal of debris created by the flooding from Tropical Storm Harvey 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 24th day of August, 2017.

L. M. "Matt" Sebesta, Jr.

County Judge

Brazoria County, Texas