

CITY OF JOSEPHINE, TEXAS
DECLARATION OF LOCAL DISASTER FOR PUBLIC HEALTH EMERGENCY

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

WHEREAS, symptoms of COVID-19 include fever, coughing, and shortness of breath. In some cases the virus has caused death; and

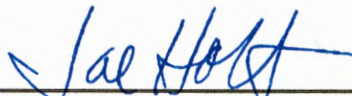
WHEREAS, Collin County has, on March 16, 2020 declared a state of local disaster for public health emergency for Collin County, Texas; and

WHEREAS, extraordinary measures must be taken to contain COVID-19 and prevent its spread throughout the City of Josephine, including the quarantine of individuals, groups of individuals, and property and, additionally, including compelling individuals, groups of individuals, or property to undergo additional health measures that prevent or control the spread of disease; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT PROCLAIMED BY THE MAYOR OF CITY OF JOSEPHINE, TEXAS:

1. That a local state of disaster for public health emergency is hereby declared for the City of Josephine, Texas, pursuant to section 418.108(a) of the Texas Government Code.
2. Pursuant to section 418.108(b) of the Government Code, the state of disaster for public health emergency shall continue for a period of not more than seven days from the date of this declaration unless continued or renewed by the City Council of the City of Josephine, Texas.
3. Pursuant to section 418.108(c) of the Government Code, this declaration of a local state of disaster for public health emergency shall be given prompt and general publicity and shall be filed promptly with the City Secretary.
4. Pursuant to section 418.108(d) of the Government Code, this declaration of a local state of disaster activates the City of Josephine Emergency Operations Plan and all other statutory and ordinance powers vested in me and all officers of the City of Josephine to act in this local state of disaster.
5. That this declaration hereby limits the size of gatherings to not more than 10 people and mandates the cancellation of all such gatherings until further notice. A "gathering" refers generally to a scheduled event or common endeavor where 10 persons are present in a confined area space, room, or area, such as an auditorium, event center, meeting hall, conference center, large cafeteria, or any other confined indoor or outdoor space.
6. That this proclamation shall take effect immediately from and after its issuance.

DECLARED this 18th day of March, 2020.



Joe Holt.
Mayor

Filed with me, the City Secretary of the City of Josephine, Texas on this the 18th day of March, 2020:

Patti Brooks
Patti Brooks, City Secretary

