LIBERTY COUNTY PROCLAMATION March 1377, 2020

DECLARATION OF DISASTER FOR LIBERTY COUNTY

WHEREAS, beginning in December of 2019, a novel coronavirus, now designated COVID-19, was detected in Wuhan City, Hubei Province, China, and has since spread throughout the world; and

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

WHEREAS, the County of LIBERTY on 13th day of March, 2020 is under imminent threat of a public health emergency due to:

COVID-19; and

WHEREAS, The County Judge of Liberty County has determined that extraordinary measures must be taken to alleviate the suffering of people and to prevent the spread of COVID-19 throughout Liberty County, including the quarantine of individuals, groups of individuals, property, and additionally, compelling individuals, groups of individuals, or property to undergo additional health measures that prevent or control the spread of the disease.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT PROCLAIMED BY THE COUNTY JUDGE OF LIBERTY COUNTY:

- 1. That a local state of disaster is hereby proclaimed for **Liberty County** pursuant to §418.108(a) of the Texas Government Code.
- 2. Pursuant to §418.108(b) of the Government Code, this declaration of a local 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 **Liberty County**.
- 3. Pursuant to §418.108(c) of the 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 of **Liberty County**.
- 4. Pursuant to §418.108(d) of the Government Code, this declaration of the local state disaster activities the **Liberty County Emergency Management Plan**.

This Proclamation shall take effect immediately from and after its issuance, ORDERED THIS 3 DAY OF MARCH 2020.

Jay Knight

Liberty County Judge

Attest: Lee H. Chambers

Liberty County Clerk