



**DECLARATION
OF
LOCAL DISASTER
BY
THE MAYOR OF THE CITY OF MARTINDALE**

WHEREAS, the novel coronavirus (COVID-19) has been recognized globally as a contagious respiratory virus; and

WHEREAS, on March 13, 2020 Governor Greg Abbott declared a state of Disaster in Texas due to COVID-19; and

WHEREAS, on March 16, 2020 County Judge of Caldwell County, Hoppy Haden declared a local state of disaster within Caldwell County Texas; and

WHEREAS, the City of Martindale is part of the county emergency management plan for Caldwell County; and

WHEREAS, emergency action is required to take immediate steps to prepare for, respond to, and mitigate the spread of COVID-19 to protect the health and welfare of residents of the City of Martindale; and

WHEREAS, declaring a state of disaster will facilitate and expedite the use and deployment of resources to enhance preparedness and response,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT DECLARED, by virtue of the authority vested in me as the presiding officer of the City of Martindale Texas and the Texas Government Code, Section 418.108, I DECLARE a local state of disaster within the City of Martindale, Caldwell County Texas based on the threat posed by COVID-19.

BE IT FURTHER DECLARED, that this state of disaster will continue until rescinded in accordance with Section 418.108 of the Texas Government Code, but in no instance will this declaration continue for more than seven days without being continued, renewed or authorized by the City Council of the City of Martindale.

BE IT FURTHER DECLARED, that this declaration activates the City of Martindale's participation in the Caldwell County Emergency Management Program.

BE IT FINALLY DECLARED, that pursuant to section 418.108(d) of the Texas Government Code, this declaration activates the recovery and rehabilitation aspects of all

applicable local or interjurisdictional emergency management plans and authorizes the furnishing of aid and assistance under the administration of such plans.

THIS DECLARATION SHALL TAKE IMMEDIATE EFFECT UPON ITS EXECUTION. DECLARED THS 18TH DAY OF MARCH 2020.



Robert Deviney, Mayor of Martindale.

