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HIDALGO COUNTY, TEXAS  
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## COMMISSIONERS COURT ORDER

WHEREAS, by declaration issued the 17 day of March, 2020, the County Judge declared a Local Disaster Due to Public Health Emergency for the County of Hidalgo, Texas, resulting from the imminent threat and possibility of exposure and spread of COVID-19; and

WHEREAS, said disaster requires certain emergency measures be taken to mitigate and prevent the spread of and control the risk of COVID-19, in order to protect and promote the public health, safety and welfare of residents of the County of Hidalgo

WHEREAS, said state of disaster requires that certain emergency measures be taken pursuant to the Executive Order of the Governor Relating to Emergency Management and under the authority prescribed in Chapter 418 of the Texas Government Code;

NOW THEREFORE, the following order shall take effect immediately upon issuance, and shall remain in effect for a period of seven (7) days unless terminated, modified, or extended by the Hidalgo County Commissioners Court.

### 1. MOVEMENT OF PEOPLE AND OCCUPANCY OF PREMISES

- (a) A person shall not remain or travel upon any public or private property in within the jurisdictional boundaries of the County of Hidalgo, Texas, which may constitute a large event or mass gathering of fifty (50) or more persons
- (b) Subsection (a) shall not apply to a person authorized by local government officials to assist in the protection of the health, safety, or welfare of the public.
- (c) Subsection (a) shall not apply to the day to day operations of organizations including schools, institutions of higher learning, or businesses.
- (d) For the purposes of this order, a "large event" or "mass gathering" is any indoor or outdoor event, that brings or is likely to bring together fifty (50) or more persons at the same time, including but not limited to conferences, festivals, parades, concerts, sporting events, weddings and other type of assemblies including flea markets.

- (e) For the purposes of this order, a "large event" or "mass gathering" does not apply to gatherings in any single building and/or multi-level buildings, so long as fifty (50) or more persons are not present in the same space at the same time.
- (f) For the purposes of this order a "large event" or "mass gathering" does not apply to gatherings spaces where fifty or more person may congregate, including but not limited to grocery stores or other retail establishments, hospitals and medical offices or facilities, bus, train, or airplane terminals, so long as visitors comply with social distancing recommendations and are not within arm's length distance of one another for extended periods of time

## **2. PRICE CONTROLS**

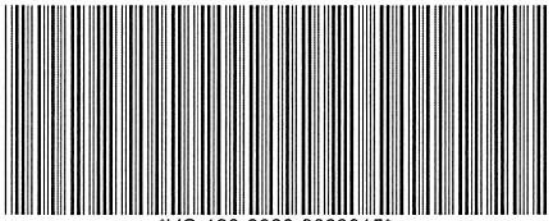
A person shall not sell any goods or service, including but not limited to the following, for more than the price the person charged for the goods or services on March 17, 2020:

- (a) groceries, beverages, toilet articles, ice
- (b) construction and building materials and supplies, and earthmoving equipment and machinery
- (c) electrical and gas generating and transmission equipment, party and accessories
- (d) charcoal briquettes, matches, candles, lamp illumination and heat unit carbides, dry batteries, light bulbs, flashlights, and hand lanterns
- (e) hand tools (manual and power), hardware and household supplies, and equipment rental
- (f) automotive parts, supplies, and accessories
- (g) plumbing and electrical tools and supplies
- (h) apartment, duplex, multi-family dwelling, rooming house, hotel and motel rental
- (i) gasoline, diesel oil, motor oil, kerosene, grease, and automotive lubricants
- (j) restaurant, cafeteria, and boarding-house meals
- (k) services of roofing and building contractors, plumbers, electricians, mechanics, tree surgeons, and automobile wrecker companies
- (l) medicine, pharmaceutical, and medical equipment and supplies
- (m) blankets, quilts, bedspreads, bed linens, mattresses, bedsprings, bedsteads, towels, and toilet paper
- (n) furniture and clothing

## **3. PENALTIES**

- (a) This order shall have full force and effect when duly filed with the County Clerk.
- (b) The Hidalgo County Sheriff's Office, Constable Offices, and Fire Marshal are hereby authorized to enforce this order





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I hereby certify that this Instrument was FILED in the File Number sequence on the date/time printed hereon, and was duly RECORDED in the Official Records of Hidalgo County, Texas.

Arturo Guajardo Jr.  
County Clerk  
Hidalgo County, Texas