



AMENDED AND RESTATED PROCLAMATION

STATE OF TEXAS §
COUNTY OF HAYS §

WHEREAS, Hays County has not received any appreciable rainfall for a lengthy period of time and is currently experiencing a Keetch-Byram Drought Index of 671; and

WHEREAS, such drought conditions are not forecast to improve in the foreseeable future; and

WHEREAS, Hays County officials have recently received numerous reports of individuals using fireworks within Hays County, despite existing drought conditions; and

WHEREAS, the Hays County Judge has determined that the drought and other weather-related conditions pose a significant threat to Hays County citizens, their property, and the wildlife. Extraordinary measures must be taken to prevent threats and maintain the health and safety of our community.

WHEREAS, the Hays County Judge, with support of the Hays County Commissioners Court, desires to amend and restate his Proclamation of April 25, 2011, adding a penalty for violations of this Proclamation.

NOW THEREFORE, be it proclaimed that:

- 1) A local state of disaster is hereby declared for Hays County pursuant to §418.108 of the Texas Government Code;
- 2) Pursuant to §418.108(b) of the Texas Government Code, this Proclamation shall remain in force and effect for not more than seven (7) days from the date inscribed below, unless the Hays County Commissioners Court consents its extension.
- 3) Pursuant to §418.108(c) of the Texas Government Code, this Proclamation shall be given prompt and general publicity, and shall be filed promptly with the Hay County Clerk;
- 4) Pursuant to §418.108(d) of the Texas Government Code, this Proclamation of a local state of disaster activates the Hays County Emergency Management Plan.
- 5) Pursuant to §418.108(i) of the Texas Government Code, the use of fireworks within Hays County is hereby prohibited.
- 6) Pursuant to §418.108(i) of the Texas Government Code, unless extended by the Governor of the State of Texas, which shall be requested forthwith, the prohibited use of fireworks shall expire within sixty hours.
- 7) Pursuant to §418.173 of the Texas Government Code, violations of this Proclamation shall be punishable by a fine of up to Five Hundred Dollars (\$500.00 USD) per occurrence.

This Amended and Restated Proclamation hereby takes effect immediately upon execution by the Hays County Judge, which is evidenced by his signature below.

Proclaimed this the 26th day of April, 2011 at 12:10 a.m./p.m.

Bert Cobb, M.D.
Hays County Judge