



## PROCLAMATION 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 throughout 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**, extraordinary measures must be taken to contain COVID-19 and prevent its spread throughout the City, including the banning of community gatherings over 10 people, and requiring that all restaurants and eateries within the city limits provide services through the use of drive through windows and or pick up services until this local state of emergency is lifted this includes pubs and bars, and additionally, potentially requiring individuals, groups of individuals, or property to undergo additional measures that prevent or control the spread of disease; provide the city manager, fire chief, and or police chief of the City of Marlin the ability to quickly enact other measures intended to protect the health and welfare of the public.

**NOW, THEREFORE**, pursuant to Section 418 of the Texas Government Code and by virtue of the authority vested in me by Art. I, Sec. 1.05 of the Marlin City Charter and in conjunction with adopted City Ordinance No. 05-25 National Incident Management System (NIMS) as the standard for incident management for the City of Marlin. Therefore, as Mayor of the City of Marlin, Texas, a home-rule municipal corporation, **I, MAYOR CAROLYN LOFTON, HEREBY DECLARE:**

1. A local state of disaster for public health emergency for the City of Marlin, Texas pursuant to section 418.108 (a) of the Texas Government code.
2. This state of disaster for public health emergency shall continue for a period of not more than 30 days from the date of this declaration unless continued or renewed by the City Council of the City of Marlin, Texas pursuant to section 418.108(b) of the Government Code.

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3. 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, pursuant to section 418.108(c) of the Government Code.
4. The declaration of a local state of disaster activates the City of Marlin, Texas Emergency Management Plan and activates all other charter, statutory, and ordinance powers vested in me and all officers of the City of Marlin, Texas to act for the purposes stated, pursuant to section 418.108(d) of the Government Code.
5. That this proclamation shall take effect immediately from and after its issuance.

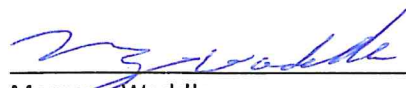
**DECLARED this 17<sup>th</sup> day of March 2020.**



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**Carolyn Lofton**  
Mayor

Filed with me, Maryann Waddle, City Secretary of the City of Marlin, Texas on this 17<sup>th</sup> day of March 2020 by Mayor Carolyn Lofton, whose signature I certify is true and genuine, with general publicity of the foregoing Proclamation being affected the same date as the signing thereof.



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**Maryann Waddle**  
City Secretary