

## City of Austin

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## **BE IT KNOWN:**

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WHEREAS, beginning on October 16, 2018, and continuing into the foreseeable future, the City of Austin began experiencing property damage resulting from flood waters adjacent to the Colorado River, Lake Travis, and other watersheds;

WHEREAS, as a result of the severe weather and prolonged flooding in Central Texas, on October 16, 2018, the State of Texas issued a disaster declaration for counties in Central Texas, and on October 18, 2018, Travis County declared a state of local disaster;

WHEREAS, the unprecedented amount of water flowing through the City's watersheds, due to the floodgates being opened to alleviate flooding in the lakes north of Austin, has caused excessive turbidity in the water coming into the City's water treatment plants, such that the City has issued a notice to Austin Water Utility customers to boil water;

WHEREAS, the continued release of flood waters through the City's watersheds presents an imminent threat of widespread or severe damage, injury, or loss of life and property, which requires emergency action; and,

WHEREAS, the City of Austin's Emergency Management Plan has been activated;

## NOW, THEREFORE.

By virtue of the authority vested in me by the City charter, as the presiding officer of the governing body and under Texas Government Code, Section 418.108, I DECLARE a local state of disaster within the City of Austin to continue for a period of seven days from this date, subject to continuation or renewal by consent of the City Council.

I further proclaim activation of the City of Austin Emergency Operations Plan and the activation of all other Charter, statutory, and ordinance powers vested in me and all officers of the City of Austin to act in this local state of disaster. This declaration activates the recovery and rehabilitation aspects of all applicable local or interjurisdictional emergency management plans and authorizes the furnishing of all aid and assistance as deemed necessary or desirable by those administering such plans.

The City Clerk is directed to give prompt and general publicity of the issuance of this DECLARATION.

DECLARED this the 25th day of October 2018, in the City of Austin, Travis County, Texas, in witness whereof I subscribe my name and cause to be affixed the seal of the City of Austin.

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The City of Austin is committed to compliance with the Americans with Disabilities Act. Reasonable modifications and equal access to communications will be provided upon request. Filed with me, the City Clerk of the City of Austin, this 25th day of October, 2018, by Mayor Steve Adler, whose signature I hereby attest under my hand and the seal of the City of Austin.

City Clerk

