STATE OF TEXAS §
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COUNTY OF GRIMES §

ORDER PROHIBITING OUTDOOR BURNING

WHEREAS, the Texas Forest Service has determined that drought conditions exist within the County **AND**

WHEREAS, Commissioners Court finds that circumstances present in all or part of the unincorporated area of the Grimes County create a public safety hazard that would be exacerbated by outdoor burning,

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED by the Commissioners Court of Grimes County that all outdoor burning is prohibited in the unincorporated area of the county for 90 days from the date of adoption of this Order, unless the restrictions are terminated earlier based on a determination made by the Commissioners Court (or the County Judge) based on a determination that the circumstances that required the Order no longer exist.

This Order is adopted pursuant to Local Government Code §352.081, and other applicable statutes. This Order does not prohibit outdoor burning activities related to public health and safety that are authorized by the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality for (1) firefighter training; (2) public utility, natural gas pipeline or mining operations; (3) planting or harvesting of agricultural crops; or (4) burns that are conducted by the prescribed burn manager certified under Natural Resources Code §153.048 and meet the standards of Natural Resources Code §153.047.

In accordance with Local Government Code §352.081(h), a violation of this Order is a Class C Misdemeanor, punishable by a fine not to exceed $500.00.

ADOPTED this 22nd day of September, 2021 by a vote of 5 ayes and 0 nays.

JOE FAUTH III, Grimes County Judge

Attest: Vanessa Burzynski

Vanessa Burzynski, Grimes County Clerk

COMMISSIONER'S COURT ★ GRIMES COUNTY TEXAS ★