

STATE OF TEXAS
COUNTY OF POTTER

ORDER UNDER DECLARATION OF LOCAL DISASTER

NOVEMBER 20, 2020

WHEREAS, on March 18, 2020 the Potter County Judge, under the authority of section 418.108(a) of the Texas Government Code, declared a local state of disaster in all of Potter County as a result of the imminent potential for spread of an epidemic through infection caused by the virus known as COVID-19; and

WHEREAS, upon declaration of a local state of disaster, section 418.108(g) of the Code authorizes the Potter County Judge to control ingress and egress from a disaster area, and to control the movement of persons and the occupancy of premises in the disaster area; and

WHEREAS, as of this date acceleration of the spread of COVID-19 is occurring in Potter County as confirmed by a current COVID-19 related hospitalization rate of 30 percent of hospital capacity in Potter County; and

WHEREAS, by reason thereof emergency measures are required to mitigate that acceleration in the spread of the virus in the interest of public health and safety;

NOW THEREFORE, IT IS ORDERED by the Potter County Judge, under the authority of section 418.108(g) of the Texas Government Code, that the following directive is effective immediately throughout the geographic jurisdiction of Potter County, Texas;


EFFECTIVE AT 12:01 A.M. ON 11-23-2020, ALL BUILDINGS AND PROPERTY BELONGING TO POTTER COUNTY, TEXAS SHALL BE CLOSED TO THE PUBLIC

This order is not intended to prevent or interfere with any court performing any adjudicatory function. The courts of Potter County are encouraged, however, to make use of alternative means for conducting proceedings that prevent or limit in-person contact among parties, attorneys, court personnel, and the public.

This order continues in effect through December 7, 2020 at 7:00 p.m. subject to extension or earlier termination by further order of the Potter County Judge.

IT IS SO ORDERED.

Signed this 20th day of November, 2020. Attest:


Nancy Tanner, Potter County Judge


Julie Smith, Potter County Clerk

