July 9, 2020

The Honorable Ruth R. Hughs
Secretary of State
State Capitol Room 1E.8
Austin, Texas 78701

Dear Secretary Hughs:

Pursuant to his powers as Governor of the State of Texas, Greg Abbott has issued the following:

A proclamation amending Executive Order GA-27 relating to increased hospital capacity in Texas during the disaster posed by the novel coronavirus (COVID-19).

The original proclamation is attached to this letter of transmittal.

Respectfully submitted,

Gregory S. Davidson
Executive Clerk to the Governor

Attachment
TO ALL TO WHOM THESE PRESENTS SHALL COME:

WHEREAS, I, Greg Abbott, Governor of Texas, issued a disaster proclamation on March 13, 2020, certifying under Section 418.014 of the Texas Government Code that the novel coronavirus (COVID-19) poses an imminent threat of disaster for all counties in the State of Texas; and

WHEREAS, in each subsequent month effective through today, I have renewed the disaster declaration for all Texas counties; and

WHEREAS, I issued Executive Order GA-27 on June 25, 2020, relating to the need for increased hospital capacity during the COVID-19 disaster; and

WHEREAS, Executive Order GA-27 initially covered Bexar, Dallas, Harris, and Travis counties; and

WHEREAS, Executive Order GA-27 provided that its list of covered counties could be adjusted by proclamation thereafter; and

WHEREAS, I issued a proclamation on June 30, 2020, adding Cameron, Hidalgo, Nueces, and Webb counties to the list of counties covered by Executive Order GA-27; and

WHEREAS, elevated concerns exist concerning hospital capacity in additional parts of the state;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Greg Abbott, Governor of Texas, by virtue of the power and authority vested in me by the Constitution and laws of the State of Texas, do hereby add the following counties, effective at 11:59 p.m. on Friday, July 10, 2020, to the list set forth in Executive Order GA-27 and my prior proclamation:

- All counties within Trauma Service Area I: Andrews, Brewster, Crane, Ector, Glasscock, Howard, Jeff Davis, Loving, Martin, Midland, Pecos, Presidio, Reeves, Terrell, Upton, Ward, and Winkler counties;
- All counties within Trauma Service Area K: Coke, Concho, Crockett, Irion, Kimble, Mason, McCulloch, Menard, Reagan, Runnels, Schleicher, Sterling, Sutton, and Tom Green counties;
- All counties within Trauma Service Area M: Bosque, Falls, Hill, Limestone, and McLennan counties;
- All counties within Trauma Service Area O that are not already covered by Executive Order GA-27: Bastrop, Blanco, Burnet, Caldwell, Fayette, Hays, Lee, Llano, San Saba, and Williamson counties;
- All counties within Trauma Service Area P that are not already covered by Executive Order GA-27: Atascosa, Bandera, Comal, Dimmit, Edwards, Frio, Gillespie, Gonzales, Guadalupe, Karnes, Kendall, Kerr, Kinney, La Salle, Maverick, Medina, Real, Uvalde, Val Verde, Wilson, and Zavala counties;
All counties within Trauma Service Area Q that are not already covered by Executive Order GA-27: Austin, Colorado, Fort Bend, Matagorda, Montgomery, Walker, Waller, and Wharton counties;

All counties within Trauma Service Area R: Brazoria, Chambers, Galveston, Hardin, Jasper, Jefferson, Liberty, Newton, and Orange counties;

All counties within Trauma Service Area S: Calhoun, DeWitt, Goliad, Jackson, Lavaca, and Victoria counties;

All counties within Trauma Service Area T that are not already covered by Executive Order GA-27: Jim Hogg and Zapata counties;

All counties within Trauma Service Area U that are not already covered by Executive Order GA-27: Aransas, Bee, Brooks, Duval, Jim Wells, Kenedy, Kleberg, Live Oak, McMullen, Refugio, and San Patricio counties; and

All counties within Trauma Service Area V that are not already covered by Executive Order GA-27: Starr and Willacy counties.

This proclamation shall remain in effect and in full force for as long as Executive Order GA-27 is in effect and in full force, unless otherwise modified, amended, rescinded, or superseded by the governor.

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I have hereunto signed my name and have officially caused the Seal of State to be affixed at my office in the City of Austin, Texas, this the 9th day of July, 2020.

GREG ABBOTT
Governor

ATTESTED BY:

RUTH R. HUGHS
Secretary of State