

GOVERNOR GREG ABBOTT

August 25, 2017

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5:15 Pm O'CLOCK

The Honorable Rolando B. Pablos Secretary of State State Capitol Room 1E.8 Austin, Texas 78701

Secretary of State

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Dear Mr. Secretary:

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

A proclamation that suspends all laws authorizing or requiring the collection of state or local hotel or motel occupancy taxes from the victims of Hurricane Harvey or personnel participating in relief operations.

The original proclamation is attached to this letter of transmittal.

Respectfully submitted,

Gregory S. Davidson

Executive Clerk to the Governor

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Attachment

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PROCLAMATION

BY THE

Governor of the State of Texas

TO ALL TO WHOM THESE PRESENTS SHALL COME:

WHEREAS, I, GREG ABBOTT, Governor of the State of Texas, did issue a disaster proclamation on August 23, 2017, certifying that Tropical Depression Harvey poses a threat of imminent disaster in specified counties; and

WHEREAS, Tropical Depression Harvey has since been upgraded to a hurricane and is likely to make landfall in Texas as a major hurricane; and

WHEREAS, the threat of imminent disaster caused by Hurricane Harvey is creating a temporary housing emergency in the state.

THEREFORE, in accordance with the Disaster Proclamation and with the authority vested in me by Section 418.020(c) of the Texas Government Code, I do hereby suspend all laws authorizing or requiring the collection of state or local hotel or motel occupancy taxes from the victims of Hurricane Harvey or personnel participating in relief operations, for a period of 14 days, beginning August 23, 2017, and ending September 6, 2017.

In accordance with the statutory requirements, copies of this proclamation shall be filed with the applicable authorities.



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 25th day of August, 2017.

GREG ABOUT Governor

ATTESTED BY:

ROLANDO B. PABLOS Secretary of State