



## ORDER OF THE ZAPATA COUNTY COMMISSIONERS COURT

### ESTABLISHING COUNTYWIDE CURFEW & LIMITING PUBLIC GATHERINGS

WHEREAS, in conjunction with the National Emergency Declaration issued by President Trump and Governor Abbott's Declaration of Disaster on March 13, 2020, and out of an abundance of caution to limit or reduce the spread of COVID-19 to Zapata County;

WHEREAS, by Declaration issued on March 16, 2020, the Zapata County Judge declared a local state of disaster for Zapata County due to a public health emergency; and

WHEREAS, said state of disaster required that certain emergency measures be taken to the Executive Order of the Governor Relating to the Emergency Management; therefore, the following regulations shall take effect until the state of disaster if terminated;

WHEREAS, to date there have been 55 residents of Zapata County that have tested positive for COVID-19 and there has been 1 death related to the virus, so a proactive and aggressive approach is needed to mitigate the local spread of this infectious disease; and

WHEREAS, the Zapata Commissioners Court seeks to adopt this County Wide Curfew in an effort to control and mitigate the COVID-19 public emergency that continues to affect the life, health, and property of all residents, to address the evolving nature of the disaster situation, and to ensure that the County's Orders continue to align with those of the Governor.

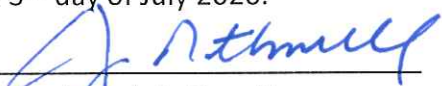
NOW THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE ZAPATA COUNTY COMMISSIONERS COURT THAT:

1. A Curfew is hereby established for all areas of Zapata County from 11:00 P.M. until 5 A.M. each day and is to go into effect Friday, July 3, 2020 at 11:00 p.m.
2. This order does not prohibit any person from leaving his or her home to seek necessary medical or emergency care, to engage in any service or activity permitted by Governor Greg Abbott's Executive Order No. 26, or any subsequent amendments thereto.
3. Prohibits any outdoor gatherings in excess of 10 people, other than those permitted by Governor Greg Abbott's Executive Order No. 28.
4. Events scheduled at all Zapata County operated facilities are to be cancelled immediately.
5. The Olga V. Figueroa Zapata County Public Library is closed to the public.
6. Public spaces of all Zapata County parks will be closed immediately. This order does not affect walking parks so long as social distancing measures are followed.

7. Amusement Redemption Machine venues are to limit operating hours to between 8 A.M. to 10 P.M. daily. Venues may operate at up to 50% of their total occupancy, provided that there is at least 6 feet social distancing between operating machines and minimum standard health protocols as identified in the Governor's Strike Force to Open Texas Checklist for Video Game Facilities is strictly followed. No smoking is to be allowed on the premises.
8. Fourth of July festivities, including fireworks presentations are cancelled.
9. The Zapata County Boat Ramp & Park and Bravo Park will be closed to the public for the duration of the Fourth of July holidays. This will go into effect Friday, July 3, 2020 at 11:59 P.M. and will expire on Monday, July 6, 2020 at 11:59 P.M. This closure does not affect private boat ramps.
10. Any Person who violates a provision of this order may be guilty of a Class C Misdemeanor and subject to a fine up to \$250.00.

The Zapata County Commissioners Court deems it necessary and so ordered that the curfew shall remain in effect until extended, modified, or terminated early.

ENTERED and ORDERED on this the 3<sup>rd</sup> day of July 2020.

  
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Joseph Rathmell  
County Judge

  
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Paco Mendoza,  
County Commissioner, Pct. 1

  
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County Commissioner, Pct. 2

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County Commissioner, Pct. 3

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County Commissioner, Pct. 4

ATTEST:

  
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Mary Jayne Villarreal-Bonoan  
County Clerk

