

STATE OF TEXAS }
COUNTY OF GALVESTON } **P R O C L A M A T I O N**
CITY OF HITCHCOCK }

WHEREAS: a public health emergency was declared for the United States, and a state disaster declaration due to public health emergency caused by the Coronavirus (“COVID-19”) was declared for the State of Texas; and

WHEREAS: on March 26, 2020, the City of Hitchcock declared a disaster declaration due to public health emergency, which has been extended by City Council and continues currently; and

WHEREAS: over 1,535 cases of COVID-19 existed in Galveston County as of June 18, 2020; and

WHEREAS: Galveston County continues to see an increase in COVID-19 cases at an exponential rate and has been advised by its health officer that masks and social distancing are necessary to curb this increase and prevent Galveston County and Cities therein from becoming overwhelmed; and


WHEREAS: Governor’s Order GA-26 impacting a local jurisdiction’s authority under Chapter 418 of the Texas Government Code remains in effect at this time;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Mayor Randy Stricklind, by virtue of my authority vested in the City of Hitchcock, Texas, do hereby proclaim:

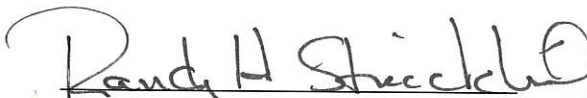
ALL CITIZENS ARE ENCOURAGED WEAR MASKS AND SOCIAL DISTANCE IN PUBLIC WITHIN THE CORPORATE BOUNDARIES OF THE CITY OF HITCHCOCK

And do hereby encourage all citizens and businesses and professional bodies to actively adhere to CDC guidelines and the recommendations of the Galveston County Health District regarding COVID-19. Businesses are encouraged to adopt policies requiring all customers and employees to wear masks while inside the business, to provide for social distancing while shopping, to encourage contactless delivery methods for products and services whenever possible, to take temperatures of employees and/or customers when appropriate, and to promote working from home by employees that have the capability to do so. Citizens are encouraged to wear masks when leaving home and interacting with other people outside of their household in any way. Citizens are further encouraged to avoid participating in social gatherings, especially gatherings of 10 or more people. Citizens should avoid travel whenever possible to protect high-risk individuals. Finally, Citizens should be conscious that they can potentially spread COVID-19 even when they do not have visible symptoms.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the seal of the City Of Hitchcock, Texas to be affixed this, 22nd day of June, 2020.



Nicholle Andrus
City Secretary



Randy Stricklind
Mayor

