

**DECLARATION OF LOCAL DISASTER**

**BY**

**PROCLAMATION OF THE MAYOR  
CITY OF PORT ARTHUR, TEXAS**

**WHEREAS**, the City of Port Arthur on the 20<sup>th</sup> day of September 2020 is facing the imminent threat of widespread or severe damage, injury, or loss of life or property and other public calamity resulting from the potential threat of the Tropical Storm Beta system; and,

**WHEREAS**, the Mayor of the City of Port Arthur has determined that extraordinary measures must be taken to prevent and to alleviate the suffering of people and to protect or rehabilitate property; and,

**WHEREAS**, the City of Port Arthur's Emergency Management Plan should be activated.

**NOW, THEREFORE, I, THE MAYOR OF THE CITY OF PORT ARTHUR, HEREBY PROCLAIM AND DECLARE:**

SECTION 1. That a local state of disaster is hereby declared for the City of Port Arthur pursuant to §418.108(a) of the Texas Government Code.

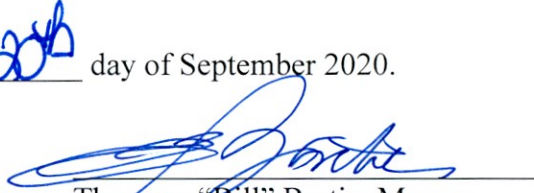
SECTION 2. That pursuant to §418.018(b) of the Texas Government Code, the state of disaster shall continue for a period of not more than seven days from the date of this declaration unless continued or renewed by the City Council of the City of Port Arthur.

SECTION 3. That pursuant to §418.018(c) of the Texas Government Code, this declaration of a local state of disaster shall be given prompt and general publicity and shall be filed promptly with the City Secretary.

SECTION 4. That pursuant to §418.018(d) of the Texas Government Code, this declaration of a local state of disaster activates the city emergency management plan.

SECTION 5. That this proclamation shall take effect immediately from and after its issuance.

**SO DECLARED AND ORDERED** this the 20<sup>th</sup> day of September 2020.

  
Thurman "Bill" Bartie, Mayor  
City of Port Arthur

ATTEST:

  
Sherri Bellard,  
City Secretary