

**DECLARATION OF LOCAL DISASTER IN THE CITY OF FORT
WORTH, TEXAS IN RESPONSE TO HURRICANE HARVEY**

WHEREAS, Texas Governor Greg Abbott signed a disaster declaration upon a finding that Hurricane Harvey posed a threat of imminent disaster along the Texas coast beginning August 23, 2017; and

WHEREAS, in response to Governor Abbott's disaster declaration and upon a request for emergency aid from the State of Texas, President Trump has issued an emergency disaster declaration, thereby making federal funding available on a cost-sharing basis for hazard mitigation measures statewide; and

WHEREAS, evacuation of residents along the Texas coast and disaster conditions throughout a large portion of Texas require emergency assistance of federal, state, and local governmental entities to save lives, provide life-sustaining support, and protect public health and safety; and

WHEREAS, the state and federal governments' declarations of disaster in response to Hurricane Harvey have resulted in the evacuation of thousands of residents of the Texas coastal region, and the City of Fort Worth has received and will continue to receive an influx of evacuees in need of emergency services required to save lives, avert loss of life and property, and protect public health and safety; and

WHEREAS, in response to the state of emergency resulting from Hurricane Harvey in the State of Texas, the City of Fort Worth has been requested to provide a variety of emergency and recovery service resources to assist in disaster relief and recovery; and

WHEREAS, the Mayor of the City of Fort Worth has determined that extraordinary measures must be taken to alleviate the suffering of people and to protect public health and safety;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT PROCLAIMED BY THE MAYOR OF THE CITY OF FORT WORTH, TEXAS:

I.

That a state of disaster is declared for the City of Fort Worth.

II.

That the City's Emergency Operational Plan has been implemented.

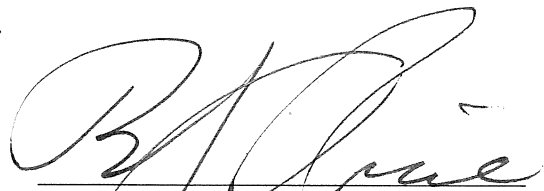
III.

That the state of disaster shall continue for a period of not more than seven days of the date hereof, unless the same is continued by consent of the City Council of the City of Fort Worth, Texas.

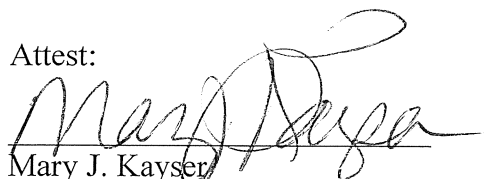
IV.

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

ORDERED this 28th day of August, 2017.


Betsy Price
Mayor

Attest:


Mary J. Kayser
City Secretary

