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STATE OF TEXAS §
COUNTY OF HUNT §

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BECKY LANDRUM
County Clerk, tent County, Tex.
By

RESOLUTION # 18,322

## A RESOLUTION OF THE HUNT COUNTY COMMISSIONERS COURT PROHIBITING ALL OUTDOOR BURNING WITH EXCEPTIONS AS SPECIFIED IN THIS RESOLUTION.

**WHEREAS**, the Commissioners Court of Hunt County, Texas, finds that circumstances present in all or part of the unincorporated area of the county create a public safety hazard that would be exacerbated by outdoor burning;

NOW, THEREFORE, IT IS HEREBY RESOLVED by the Commissioners Court of Hunt County, Texas that all outdoor burning is prohibited in the unincorporated area of the county for 90 days from the date of adoption of this Resolution, unless the restrictions are terminated earlier based on a determination made by the Texas Forest Service and this Court, or the County Judge if he deems this action is no longer necessary. This Resolution is adopted pursuant to the Local Government Code §352.081, and other applicable statutes. This Resolution does not prohibit outdoor burning activities related to public health and safety that are authorized by the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality for: (1) firefighter training; (2) public utility, natural gas pipeline or mining operations; (3) planting or harvesting of crops; or, (4) burns that are conducted by a prescribed burn manager certified under Section 153.048, Natural Resources Code, and meet the standards of Section 153.047, Natural Resources Code. This Resolution also does not prohibit the use of welders, cutting torches, and similar tools and machinery; however, it is required that while using such implements a separate individual is required to be present to observe for fires and sparks and to have some type of fire extinguisher present; nor does this Resolution prohibit any outdoor cooking activities in an enclosed apparatus, designed for cooking purpose.

In accordance with Local Government Code §352.081(h), a violation of this Order is a Class C misdemeanor, punishable by a fine not to exceed \$500.00.

Judge Bobby W. Stovall

ADOPTED this 22<sup>nd</sup> day of August, 2023.

ommissioner Mark Hutchins

Commissioner Phillip Martin

Commissioner Stave Harrison

Commissioner David Monroe

Attest:

County Clerk