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## DECLARATION RELATING TO THE APRIL 8<sup>TH</sup>, 2024 SOLAR ECLIPSE

WHEREAS, on April 8th, 2024, San Saba County, Texas will be in the direct line of a total solar eclipse that will traverse across North America; and

WHEREAS, this event is expected to see the population of San Saba County, Texas, which is approximately 7,000, double, if not triple, in size throughout the days leading up to and including the day of the event, leading to extreme traffic congestion, enormous strain on first responder organizations, hospital systems, food, grocery and fuel shortages, along with city and county infrastructure, threatening the safety of all resident; and

WHEREAS, the San Saba County Judge has determined that extraordinary measures must be taken to protect the health, safety and welfare of San Saba County residents and visitors that may be impacted as a result of the April 8th, 2024, solar eclipse; and

WHEREAS, the San Saba County Judge, in consultation with area emergency management coordinators, law enforcement officials, and fire and rescue officials, has determined that the potential exists for roads, streets and highways to be stressed to and above capacity during certain times of the event; and

WHEREAS, the potential stress and over-capacity of city, county, state, and federal streets, roads, and highways may create a public safety event whereby law enforcement and fire and rescue officers will be impeded from responding to calls for service; and

WHEREAS, the San Saba County Judge, urges all residents of San Saba County to stay at home if they can, avoid driving, if possible, ensure all vehicles are filled with fuel the week leading up to this event, ensure sufficient groceries and supplies are

purchased well in advance, and to take all cautionary measures to ensure the safety of all persons and animals in their care.

## NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT DECLARED BY SAN SABA COUNTY, TEXAS:

- 1. That, pursuant to Section 418.108, Texas Government Code, a local state of emergency and disaster to be caused by the April 8<sup>th</sup>, 2024, solar eclipse event is hereby declared for San Saba County, Texas.
- 2. That pursuant to section 418.108(b) of the Government Code, this state of emergency for the April 8<sup>th</sup>, 2024, solar eclipse event shall continue for a period of not more than seven (7) days from the date of this declaration, unless extended by the San Saba County Commissioner's court of San Saba County, Texas.
- 3. That pursuant to section 418.108(d) of the Government Code, this declaration activates the San Saba County Emergency Management Plans and authorizes the furnishing of aid and assistance under this declaration.
- 4. That this declaration shall take effect from March 21, 2024, and after its issuance, and upon approval of the San Saba County Commissioner's Court, shall continue in effect until terminated by the San Saba County Judge. Pursuant to this declaration, additional directives may be issued by the San Saba County Judge at any time deemed necessary.

**DECLARED** this the 21<sup>st</sup> day of March, 2024.

Jódy A. Fauley San Saba County Judge

Filed with me, the County Clerk of San Saba County, on this 21st day of March, 2024, by San Saba County Judge Jody A. Fauley.

Y Kim Wells San Saba County Clerk