

THE GOVERNOR

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Appointments

Appointments for February 16, 2024

Appointed to the Texas Food System Security and Resiliency Planning Council for a term to expire at the pleasure of the Governor, Kevin J. Koch of Temple, Texas. Mr. Koch will serve as presiding officer of the commission.

Appointed to the Texas Food System Security and Resiliency Planning Council for a term to expire at the pleasure of the Governor, Coleman H. Locke of Wharton, Texas.

Appointed to the Texas Food System Security and Resiliency Planning Council for a term to expire at the pleasure of the Governor, David Volleman of Gustine, Texas.

Appointed to the Texas Food System Security and Resiliency Planning Council for a term to expire at the pleasure of the Governor, John T. Votava of Keller, Texas.

Appointed as Judge of the 73rd Judicial District, Bexar County, for a term until December 31, 2024, or until her successor shall be duly elected and qualified, Marialyn P. Barnard of San Antonio, Texas (replacing Judge David A. Canales of San Antonio, who resigned).

Appointments for February 20, 2024

Appointed as presiding officer of the Webb County - City of Laredo Regional Mobility Authority for a term to expire February 1, 2026, Jed A. Brown of Laredo, Texas (Mr. Brown is being reappointed).

Appointments for February 21, 2024

Pursuant to HB 3474, 88th Legislature, Regular Session, appointed as Judge of the 489th Judicial District Court, Kaufman County, for a term until December 31, 2024, or until her successor shall be duly elected and qualified, Tracy B. Gray of Forney, Texas.

Greg Abbott, Governor

TRD-202400757



Proclamation 41-4096

TO ALL TO WHOM THESE PRESENTS SHALL COME:

WHEREAS, I, GREG ABBOTT, Governor of the State of Texas, issued a disaster proclamation on July 8, 2022, as amended and renewed in a number of subsequent proclamations, certifying that exceptional drought conditions posed a threat of imminent disaster in several counties; and

WHEREAS, the Texas Division of Emergency Management has confirmed that those same drought conditions continue to exist in these and other counties in Texas, with the exception of Atascosa, Lavaca, Newton, Orange, Sabine, San Augustine, Tyler, Wharton, and Wilson Counties;

NOW, THEREFORE, in accordance with the authority vested in me by Section 418.014 of the Texas Government Code, I do hereby amend

and renew the aforementioned proclamation and declare a disaster in Bandera, Bell, Bexar, Blanco, Burnet, Calhoun, Cameron, Comal, Comanche, Coryell, Culberson, Eastland, El Paso, Erath, Gillespie, Guadalupe, Hays, Hidalgo, Hudspeth, Jeff Davis, Kendall, Kerr, Lampasas, Llano, Maverick, McLennan, Medina, Presidio, Travis, Uvalde, Willacy, and Williamson Counties.

Pursuant to Section 418.017 of the Texas Government Code, I authorize the use of all available resources of state government and of political subdivisions that are reasonably necessary to cope with this disaster.

Pursuant to Section 418.016 of the Texas Government Code, any regulatory statute prescribing the procedures for conduct of state business or any order or rule of a state agency that would in any way prevent, hinder, or delay necessary action in coping with this disaster shall be suspended upon written approval of the Office of the Governor. However, to the extent that the enforcement of any state statute or administrative rule regarding contracting or procurement would impede any state agency's emergency response that is necessary to protect life or property threatened by this declared disaster, I hereby authorize the suspension of such statutes and rules for the duration of this declared disaster.

In accordance with the statutory requirements, copies of this proclamation shall be filed with the applicable authorities.

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I have hereunto signed my name and have officially caused the Seal of State to be affixed at my office in the City of Austin, Texas, this the 16th day of February, 2024.

Greg Abbott, Governor

TRD-202400702



Proclamation 41-4097

TO ALL TO WHOM THESE PRESENTS SHALL COME:

WHEREAS, I, Greg Abbott, Governor of Texas, issued a disaster proclamation on May 31, 2021, certifying under Section 418.014 of the Texas Government Code that the surge of individuals unlawfully crossing the Texas-Mexico border posed an ongoing and imminent threat of disaster for a number of Texas counties and for all state agencies affected by this disaster; and

WHEREAS, I amended the aforementioned proclamation in a number of subsequent proclamations, including to modify the list of affected counties and therefore declare a state of disaster for those counties and for all state agencies affected by this disaster; and

WHEREAS, the certified conditions continue to exist and pose an ongoing and imminent threat of disaster as set forth in the prior proclamations; and

WHEREAS, a disaster has been declared at the local level by Aransas, Atascosa, Calhoun, and Shackelford Counties;

NOW, THEREFORE, in accordance with the authority vested in me by Section 418.014 of the Texas Government Code, I do hereby renew

the aforementioned proclamation and declare a disaster for Aransas, Atascosa, Bee, Brewster, Brooks, Caldwell, Calhoun, Cameron, Chambers, Colorado, Crane, Crockett, Culberson, DeWitt, Dimmit, Duval, Edwards, El Paso, Frio, Galveston, Goliad, Gonzales, Hidalgo, Hudspeth, Jackson, Jeff Davis, Jim Hogg, Jim Wells, Kenedy, Kerr, Kimble, Kinney, Kleberg, La Salle, Lavaca, Live Oak, Mason, Maverick, McCulloch, McMullen, Medina, Menard, Midland, Pecos, Presidio, Real, Refugio, San Patricio, Schleicher, Shackelford, Sutton, Terrell, Throckmorton, Uvalde, Val Verde, Victoria, Webb, Wharton, Wilbarger, Wilson, Zapata, and Zavala Counties and for all state agencies affected by this disaster. All orders, directions, suspensions, and authorizations provided in the Proclamation of May 31, 2021, as amended and renewed in subsequent proclamations, are in full force and effect.

In accordance with the statutory requirements, copies of this proclamation shall be filed with the applicable authorities.

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I have hereunto signed my name and have officially caused the Seal of State to be affixed at my office in the City of Austin, Texas, this the 16th day of February, 2024.

Greg Abbott, Governor

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