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## Order of the County Judge

Mandatory Protective Gear (Mask)

Pursuant to Chapter 418 of the Texas Government Code, protective gear covering the mouth and nose will be required for all individuals in Brooks County that are at a place other than their home. All persons over the age of (5) are required to wear some form of covering over their nose and mouth, such as a mask, homemade mask, scarf, bandana, or handkerchief, when entering into or inside of any building that is not the home of the individual. Individuals are required to wear a protective gear (mask) when pumping gas. Protective Gear (mask) is NOT required while engaging in outside physical activity or while riding in personal vehicle alone. "Essential" businesses that are open must always require ALL employees to wear masks.

The intent of this Order is to protect the physical health and well-being of Brooks County citizens and to slow the spread of COVID-19 to the maximum extent possible. This order is a proactive measure being taken for the health and safety of the citizens of Brooks County, Texas. If you have any questions or need further guidance regarding this order, you may contact the Brooks County Judge's Office or the Emergency Management Center at 361-325-5604 X156 or 361- 219 -1208.

A person who violates this order is subject to a fine up to \$1,000 or 180 days in Jail or both.

As County Judge, I hereby deem it necessary and so order that the MANDATORY PROTECTIVE GEAR is hereby ordered to take effect at 12:01 AM on April 9, 2020 and remain in effect until further notice or until the order is rescinded.

Entered and Ordered on this 7th day of April, 2020.

Honorable Eric Ramos

County Judge

Brooks County, Texas

Attest:

Elvaray Silvas

County Clerk

Brooks County, Texas

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