COUNTY OF FREESTONE

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ORDER PROHIBITING OUTDOOR BURNING

WHEREAS, the Commissioners Court of Freestone County 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.

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED by the Commissioners Court of Freestone County that all outdoor burning is prohibited in the unincorporated area of the county for 90 days from the date of adoption of this Order, unless the restrictions are terminated earlier based on a determination made by the Texas Forest Service or this Court.

This Order is adopted pursuant to Local Government Code 352.081, and other applicable statutes. This Order does not apply to outdoor burning activities:

- (1) related to public health and safety that are authorized by the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality for:
 - (A) firefighter training;
 - (B) public utility, natural gas pipeline, or mining operations; or
 - (C) planting or harvesting of agriculture crops; or
- (2) that are conducted by a certified and insured prescribed burn manager certified under Section 153.048, Natural Resources Code, and meet the standards of Section 153.047, Natural Resources Code.

****The County Judge is authorized to cancel the burn ban if conditions change.****

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.

___, 2023 by the Freestone County Commissioners ADOPTED this the Court. Vote: A ayes

Renee Reynolds, County Clerk

FILED FOR RECORD

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