

**ORDINANCE NO. 7534**

**AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF GARLAND, TEXAS CONTINUING A STATE OF DISASTER AND PUBLIC HEALTH EMERGENCY IN THE CITY OF GARLAND BECAUSE OF THE IMPACT OF A SEVERE WEATHER EVENT OF MAY 28, 2024; CONFIRMING AND RATIFYING AN EMERGENCY PROCLAMATIONS ISSUED BY THE MAYOR IN RESPONSE TO THE EMERGENCY; PROVIDING A PENALTY CLAUSE; PROVIDING A SAVINGS CLAUSE AND A SEVERABILITY CLAUSE; AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.**

**WHEREAS**, on May 31, 2024, Mayor LeMay issued a Declaration of Disaster relating to the severe weather event emergency of May 28, 2024; and

**WHEREAS**, as a home-rule city, the City of Garland has the authority and jurisdiction to issue rules and to make law within its municipal limits in times of emergency provided those rules do not conflict with executive orders issued by the Governor of the state of Texas;

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF GARLAND, TEXAS:**

**Section 1**

Pursuant Section 418.108, TEX. GOV'T CODE, the City Council continues the state of disaster and emergency in the City of Garland as a result of the impact of the severe weather event of May 28, 2024. The declaration of local disaster signed, executed, and issued by the Mayor on May 31, 2024, are hereby confirmed, renewed, and continued as provided in Section 418.108, TEX. GOV'T CODE to the extent consistent with this Ordinance and the executive orders of the Governor.

**Section 2**

(A) This declaration of a local state of disaster and public health emergency shall be given prompt and general publicity and shall be filed promptly with the City Secretary, pursuant to Sec. 418.108(c) of the Texas Government Code.

(B) The City's Emergency Operations Plan is and remains activated and implemented, pursuant to Sec. 418.108(d) of the Texas Government Code.

(C) This Ordinance authorizes the City to take any actions necessary to promote health and suppress disease, including

quarantine, examining and regulating hospitals, regulating ingress and egress from the City and the occupation of premises, and fining those who do not comply with the City's rules, pursuant to Sec. 122.006 of the Health and Safety Code.

**Section 3**

That the terms and provisions of this Ordinance are severable and are governed by Sec. 10.06 of the Code of Ordinances of the City of Garland, Texas.

**Section 4**

That this Ordinance shall be and become effective immediately upon and after its passage and approval.

**PASSED AND APPROVED** this the 31st day of May, 2024.

**CITY OF GARLAND, TEXAS**

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Mayor

**ATTEST:**

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Deputy City Secretary