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DECLARATION OF DISASTER

WHEREAS, Austin County, on the 16th day of May, 2024, experienced a severe weather event which produced high winds and a possible tornado. The Bellville area suffered extreme damage with substantial loss of property.

and

WHEREAS, the County Judge of Austin County has determined that extraordinary measures must be taken to alleviate the suffering of people and to protect or rehabilitate property,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT PROCLAIMED BY THE COUNTY JUDGE OF AUSTIN COUNTY:

1. That a local state of disaster is hereby declared for Austin County pursuant of Section 418.108 (a) of the Texas Government Code.
2. Pursuant to Section 418.108 (b) of the Government Code, the state of disaster shall continue for a period of not more than seven days from the date of this declaration unless continued or renewed by the Commissioner's Court of Austin County.
3. Pursuant to Section 418.108 (c) of the Government Code, this declaration of a local state of disaster shall be given prompt and general publicity and shall be filed promptly with the County Clerk of Austin County.
4. Pursuant to Section 418.108 (d) of the Government Code, this declaration of a local state of disaster activates the county's emergency management plan.

That this proclamation shall take effect immediately from and after its issuance.

ORDERED this the 17th day of May, 2024.

TIM LAPHAM
County Judge, Austin County