ORDER [PROHIBITING OR RESTRICTING] CERTAIN FIREWORKS IN UNINCORPORATED AREAS OF MCCULLOCH COUNTY, TEXAS

WHEREAS, the Texas A&M Forest Service has determined that drought conditions exist in McCulloch County; and

WHEREAS, on the 9th of December, 2024, the Commissioners Court of McCulloch County has determined that the normal danger of fire in the unincorporated areas of McCulloch County is greatly enhanced by the extremely dry conditions now existing;

NOW, THEREFORE, the Commissioners Court of McCulloch County adopts this Order [prohibiting **OR** restricting] the sale or use of restricted fireworks in the unincorporated areas of McCulloch County.

- A. A person may not sell, detonate, ignite, or in any way use fireworks classified as "skyrockets with sticks" under 49 C.F.R. part. 173.100(r)(2) (10-01-86 edition) or missiles with fins in any portion of the unincorporated areas of McCulloch County.
- B. Not Applicable
- C. This Order does not prohibit "permissible fireworks" as authorized in Occupations Code Section 2154.003(a).
- D. A person commits an offense if the person knowingly or intentionally violates a prohibition established by this Order. An offense under this order is a Class C. Misdemeanor.
- E. This order expires on the date the Texas A&M Forest Service determines drought conditions no longer exist in the county or on January 2, 2025, whichever is earlier.

APPROVED this the <u>9th</u> day of <u>December</u>, <u>2024</u>, by the McCulloch County Commissioners Court.

McCulloch County Judge

McCulloch County Clerk