

THE STATE OF TEXAS       §  
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 COUNTY OF FORT BEND       §

**ORDER AUTHORIZING SUIT AND EXEMPTING COUNTY  
FROM CERTAIN BOND REQUIREMENTS**

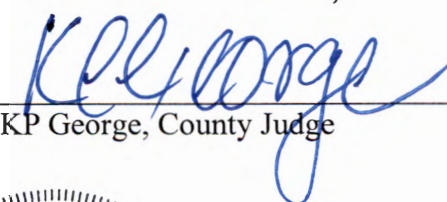
On this 11<sup>th</sup> day of August, 2021, the Commissioners Court of Fort Bend County, Texas, being convened at a regular meeting of the Court, sitting as the governing body of Fort Bend County, upon motion of Commissioner Grady Prestage, seconded by Commissioner Ken DeMerchant, duly put and carried,

**IT IS HEREBY ORDERED** that:


The County Attorney is hereby authorized to file, on behalf of Fort Bend County, any and all legal actions necessary for the preservation of life or other disaster mitigation, response, or recovery due to the public health risks related to the recent extraordinary rise in COVID-19 cases in Fort Bend County, including the pursuit of a judicial declaration that the suspension of all laws allowing governmental entities such as counties, cities, school districts and public health authorities, and governmental officials to impose masking requirements in Governor Abbott's Executive Order GA-38 exceeds the Governor's authority to suspend laws under the Texas Disaster Act of 1973, or in the alternative, that the suspension of laws in Executive Order GA-38 violates the Suspension Clause and the Separation of Powers Clause of the Texas Constitution.

Pursuant to Texas Civil Practice & Remedies Code Section 6.001(c), Commissioners Court Approves the exemption of the Fort Bend County Attorney from filing a bond to take out an extraordinary writ in cases brought on behalf of Fort Bend County as an action necessary for the preservation of life or other disaster mitigation, response, or recovery due to the public health risks related to the recent extraordinary rise in COVID-19 cases in Fort Bend County.

**FORT BEND COUNTY, TEXAS**

  
 KP George, County Judge

**ATTEST:**

  
 Laura Richard, County Clerk



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 County Clerk Fort Bend Co. Texas