



## City of Manor Disaster Declaration

### Solar Eclipse April 8, 2024

2024, the City of Manor Travis County will be in the path of totality of a total solar eclipse that will occur across North America, passing over Mexico, the United States, and Canada; and

**WHEREAS**, this solar eclipse event is expected to significantly increase, and potentially double the population of Manor in Travis County throughout the days leading up to and including the day of the solar eclipse event on April 8, 2024, leading to extreme traffic congestion, enormous strains on the first responders, law enforcement, hospitals, food, grocery and fuel shortages, telephone service disruption, along with strains on the city infrastructure, thereby threatening the safety of City residents; and

**WHEREAS**, the MAYOR of the City of Manor has determined from information provided by emergency management personnel, that extraordinary measures must be taken to protect the health, safety, and welfare of the City of Manor residents and visitors that will be impacted by the total solar eclipse event; and

**WHEREAS**, the Mayor of the City of Manor in consultation with emergency management, law enforcement, and local officials, has determined that the city, county, state, and federal roads, streets, and highways will be stressed beyond capacity during certain times of the total solar eclipse event, and the stress and overcapacity of these streets, roads, and highways may create a public safety hazard with law enforcement, emergency medical, and fire and rescue officials being impeded and delayed in responding to calls for service; and

**WHEREAS**, due to these conditions, the city mayor will urge all residents of the city of Manor to stay at home if possible, get gas and groceries and run errands in advance, make non-urgent appointments for a different day, watch the solar eclipse from home or a location near home, do not block roadways to watch the eclipse, and if traveling to watch the eclipse, download what3words.com on your mobile device, which could help first responders find you in an emergency.

**Whereas**, the City Mayor has determined that a registration process for property owners in the city of Travis County who intend to allow their property to be used for solar eclipse viewing will involve or result in over fifty (50) people being on their property for the Solar Eclipse viewing on April 8, 2024, is necessary and in the best interest of the public safety and emergency responders: and

**WHEREAS**, Texas Government Code Chapter 418, Section 418.108 authorizes the City Mayor to declare a local state of disaster, and exercise the powers granted therein on an appropriate local scale; and

**WHEREAS**, pursuant to Government Code section 418.108(g), a City Mayor is authorized to control ingress and egress from a local disaster area and control the movement of persons and the occupancy of premises in that disaster area.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT PROCLAIMED AND ORDERED BY THE CITY MAYOR OF MANOR, TEXAS THAT:**

1. A local state of disaster is hereby declared for Manor, Texas pursuant to section 418.108(a) of the Texas Government Code due to the April 8, 2024, Solar Eclipse Event.

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 (7) days of this declaration unless continued or renewed by the City Council of Manor Texas.

3. Pursuant to 418.108(d) of the Government Code, this declaration of a local state of disaster activates the appropriate response recovery and rehabilitation aspects of the City of Manor under Travis County Emergency Management plan and authorizes the furnishing of aid and assistance under this Declaration and order.

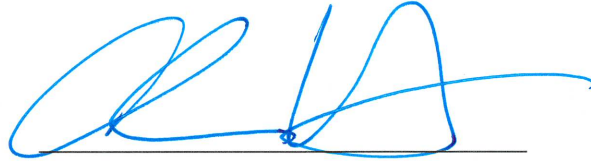
4. Pursuant to the authority granted under the laws of the State of Texas and the Texas Disaster Act of 1975 (Chapter 418 of the Government Code), the City may take actions necessary to protect the health, safety, and welfare of persons in the City and critical infrastructure protection in response to this local state of disaster, including providing disaster relief, emergency response, and services, including services to assist with roadways and vehicles, and facilities access to food, water, shelter and to protect and rehabilitate property due to this disaster and to require private property owners in areas of the City who intend to allow their property to be used for solar eclipse viewing, including watch parties, camping and parking on their property, and that will involve or result in over (50) people being on there property on April 8, 2024, to register with the county; and

5. To register with the county as specified in paragraph number 4 above, property owners must complete an application using the following link: <https://forms.office.com/g/sgDAdjE4C9> (or QR Code at the end of the order), providing their name, address, contact information and detailing the number of people who will be present on their property on April 8, 2024, for emergency preparations and response. This registration requirement will allow officials and emergency responders to better prepare for traffic congestion, roadway conditions, emergency response, and related issues. Failure to provide registration may result in visitors not being able to access neighborhoods and private property throughout the City due to traffic conditions and the influx of people due to the solar eclipse event: and

6. 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 City Secretary.

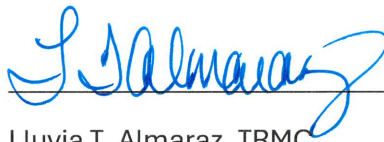
7. That this Declaration and proclamation shall take effect immediately from and after its issuance.

This Declaration and Order is adopted this the 14<sup>th</sup> day of March 2024, at 8:00 a.m., effective immediately.



Dr. Christopher Harvey, Mayor  
City of Manor, County of Travis, Texas

Filed with me, the City Secretary of the City of Manor, this the 14<sup>th</sup> day of March, 2024, by Mayor Harvey, whose signature I hereby attest under my hand and seal of the City of Manor.



Lluvia T. Almaraz, TRMC  
City Secretary  
City of Manor, County of Travis, Texas

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