



STATE OF TEXAS

COUNTY OF HAMILTON

## **ORDER RESTRICTING OUTDOOR BURNING**

WHEREAS, the Commissioners Court of Hamilton County has determined that circumstances present in all or part of the unincorporated area of the County create a public safety hazard that would be exacerbated by outdoor burning,

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED by the Commissioners Court of Hamilton County that all outdoor burning (with the exception of burning household trash in a closed container, e.g., a barrel with a screened cover) is banned in the unincorporated area of the County for 90 days beginning Friday, April 15, 2022, unless the restrictions are terminated earlier based on a determination made by the Hamilton County Judge or the Hamilton County Commissioners Court.

This Order is adopted pursuant to Local Government Code 352.081, and other applicable statutes. This Order does not prohibit outdoor burning activities related to public health and safety that are authorized by the Texas Natural Resources Commission for (1) firefighter training; (2) public utility, natural gas pipeline or mining operations; (3) planting or harvesting of agricultural crops; or (4) burns that are conducted by a prescribed burn ban manager certified under Section 153.048, Natural Resources Code, and meet the standards of section 153.047, Natural Resources Code.

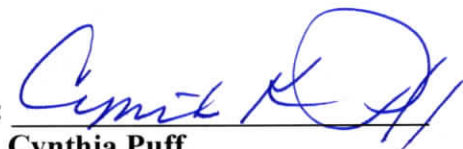
In accordance with Local Government Code 352.081, a violation of this Order is a Class C misdemeanor, punishable by a fine not to exceed \$500.00.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I affix my signature on behalf of the Commissioners Court of Hamilton County on this 12<sup>th</sup> day of April, 2022.

  
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W. Mark Tynes  
Hamilton County Judge

Attest:

  
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Cynthia Puff  
Hamilton County Clerk