

## **Declaration of Disaster**

**WHEREAS** the City of Golinda on the 15<sup>th</sup> day of May ,2024, faces imminent threat of widespread or severe damage, injury or loss of life or property resulting from severe weather events and flooding since April 26,2024.

**WHEREAS** there has been widespread damage to private, public and agricultural infrastructure and the imminent threat of more damage and loss to both public and private property.

**WHEREAS** the Mayor of Golinda 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 MAYOR OF GOLINDA:

- 1. That a local state of disaster is hereby declared for the City of Golinda pursuant to  $\S418.108(a)$  of the Texas Government Code.
- 2. Pursuant to \$418.018(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 City Council of the City of Golinda.
- 3. Pursuant to \$418.018(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.
- 4. Pursuant to §418.018(d) of the Government Code, this declaration of a local state of disaster activates the City of Golinda emergency management plan.
- 5. That this proclamation shall take effect immediately from and after its issuance.

ORDERED this the 15th day of May ,2024

Joyce Farar/Mayor City of Golinda



May 15, 2024

The Honorable Gregg Abbott Governor of Texas %State Coordinator TDEM P.O. Box 4087 Austin, TX 78773-0001

Dear Governor Abbott:

As a result of the excessive rain, flooding, tornadoes, and wind that have occurred in the months of April and May, the City of Golinda in Falls County Texas is currently facing tremendous physical and economic loss.

The roads in our city have been affected to the extent that many of our citizens have been isolated from their homes due to impassable roads and water conditions. It is estimated that road and bridge damage will cost our city hundreds of thousands of dollars. Our community will suffer catastrophic agricultural losses. Crops and property damage due to the excessive flooding are extensive and many of our farmers do not have crop insurance.

The damage to our infrastructure, mainly the roads and bridges, is of such severity and magnitude that the City of Golinda is not capable of recovering from these incidents without State and /or Federal assistance.

Additionally, I certify that the City of Golinda does not have local funding available to make the needed repairs and to provide these citizens with effective relief. Your assistance in this dire emergency matter, as it affects the health, safety and well-being of our citizens would be very much appreciated.

Mayor Joyce Farar/City of Golinda