STATE OF TEXAS

ORDER LIFTING OUTDOOR BURNING BAN

WHEREAS. Section 352.081 of the Local Government Code provides that the Commissioners Court of a county by order may prohibit outdoor burning in the unincorporated area of the county if the Commissioners Court or the County Judge or Fire Marshal, if designated for that purpose by the Commissioner's Court. makes a finding that circumstances present in the unincorporated area create a public safety hazard that would be exacerbated by outdoor burning, and;

WHEREAS. Section 352.081 of the Local Government Code further provides that an order prohibiting outdoor burning shall expire on the date that a determination is made by the Commissioner's Court, or the County Judge or Fire Marshal, if designated for that purpose by the Commissioner's Court, that the circumstances which necessitated the order no longer exist; and:

WHEREAS, the Sutton County Commissioners Court has designated the Sutton County Judge to make such determinations; and, on **March 6, 2024,** the Sutton County Judge made the determination that circumstances present in the unincorporated area of Sutton County created a public safety hazard that would be exacerbated by outdoor burning and therefore issued an Order Prohibiting Outdoor Burning in the unincorporated areas of Sutton County; and;

WHEREAS, on March 11, 2024, the Order Prohibiting Outdoor Burning in the unincorporated area of Sutton County issued by the Sutton County Judge on March 6, 2024, failed to be adopted and was lifted by the Sutton County Commissioner's Court by a unanimous vote of 4 to 0: and;

NOW. THEREFORE, the Sutton County Commissioner's Court hereby <u>LIFTS</u> the March 6, 2024, Order Prohibiting Outdoor Burning in the unincorporated areas of Sutton County. Although conditions in the unincorporated area of Sutton County have improved due to the recent rain fall, all persons are urged to use extreme caution and to obey all laws when burning outdoors.

ORDERED THIS 11th DAY OF March 2024.

Joseph Harris, Sutton County Judge