STATE OF TEXAS

COUNTY OF JASPER

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DECLARATION OF DISASTER

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WHEREAS, the County of Jasper, Texas, on the ___31st___ day of October, 2015, is in imminent threat of widespread or severe damage, injury, or loss of life or property resulting from countywide conditions created by torrential rainfall and severe thunderstorms with high speed winds and tornadic activity over an excessive period of time, affecting Jasper County by causing flooding in populated areas as well as major infrastructure damage preventing access to or the safe passage on many roadways and damaging homes and businesses. Such conditions have created a public safety hazard.

WHEREAS, the County Judge of Jasper County, Texas, has determined that extraordinary measures must be taken to protect life, as well as to protect or rehabilitate property, which are necessary and hereby ordered.

WHEREAS, this current State of Emergency and Declaration of Disaster shall run concurrently with any existing Declaration of Disaster for any previous incident, event or natural disaster that has occurred within the County of Jasper and that still remains in effect at the time that this Declaration of Disaster and State of Emergency is ordered.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT PROCLAIMED BY THE COUNTY JUDGE OF JASPER COUNTY:

- I. That a local state of disaster is hereby declared for Jasper County, Texas, pursuant to Section 418.108(a) of the Texas Government Code.
- II. Pursuant to Section 418.108(b) of the Texas 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 Commissioners' Court of Jasper County, Texas.
- III. Pursuant to Section 418.108(c) of the Texas Government Code, this declaration of a local disaster shall be given prompt and general publicity and shall be filed promptly with the County Clerk.
- IV. Pursuant to Section 418.108(d) of the Texas Government Code, this declaration of a local state of disaster activates the county/city Emergency Management Plan.

ORDERED this ____31st_____ day of October, 2015.

Mark W. Allen, County Judge

Jasper County, Texas