## ORDER [PROHIBITING OR RESTRICTING] OUTDOOR BURNING

[WHEREAS, the Commissioners Court 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 Childress County that all outdoor burning with the exception of burning trash in an approved container with screen cover and supervised is prohibited in unincorporated areas of the county for 90 days from the date of adoption of the Order, unless the restrictions are terminated earlier based on a determination made by the Texas Forest Service or this 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 Commission on Environmental Quality 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 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(h), a violation of this Order is a Class C misdemeanor, punishable by a fine not to exceed \$500.00.

ADOPTED this 24th day of APRIL, 2023 by a vote of

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COUNTY JUDG

Attest:

COUNTY CLERK

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