

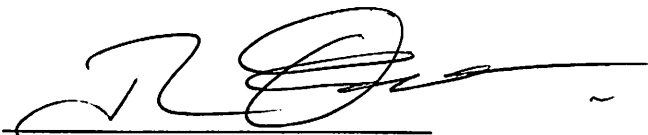
## **ORDER FOR RESTRICTING OUTDOOR BURNING**

**WHEREAS**, the Commissioners Court of Grimes County has determined that circumstances present in all or part of the unincorporated areas of the county create a public safety hazard that would increase the severity by outdoor burning.

**IT IS HEREBY ORDERED** by the Commissioners Court of Grimes County that outdoor burning is banned in the unincorporated areas of the county for ninety (90) days from the date of the adoption of this Order, unless the restrictions are terminated earlier based on a determination 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** include the outdoor burning of household garbage, including using a screened barrel or screened pits. This Order does **NOT** prohibit outdoor burning activities related to public health and safety that are authorized by the Texas Commission of 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 under Sections 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 14<sup>th</sup> day of August, 2019 by a vote of 5 ayes and 0 nays.



Joe Fauth III, County Judge