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Mayor Mendez of Brownsville Declares Disaster in Response to COVID-19

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Today, Mayor Juan “Trey” Mendez III issued a local disaster declaration needed to give the City of Brownsville additional authority to undertake measures to help contain and mitigate COVID-19.

The disaster declaration has an immediate effect. Containment measures are outlined in the attached communication to Brownsville citizens.

“The lessons we are learning from communities across the nation and the globe is that aggressive measures implemented sooner rather than later promise to protect our community and our community’s most vulnerable members,” said Mayor Mendez.

The disaster declaration was issued under the Texas Disaster Act of 1975 and Section §418.108(A) of the Texas Government Code.

COVID-19 is a respiratory virus. Please share and encourage others to:

- Wash your hands often with soap and water for at least 20 seconds. If soap and water are unavailable, use an alcohol-based hand sanitizer.
- Avoid touching your eyes, nose, and mouth with unwashed hands.
- Avoid close contact with people who are sick.
- Stay home when you are sick.
- Cough or sneeze into your elbow or use a tissue to cover it, then throw the tissue in the trash.
- Clean and disinfect frequently touched objects and surfaces.

For the most up-to-date information on how City of Brownsville is handling the rapidly changing circumstances, please visit our website at <https://www.cob.us/2066/Coronavirus-Updates>



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