

THE GOVERNOR

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Appointments

Appointments for May 5, 2021

Appointed to the Council on Sex Offender Treatment for a term to expire February 1, 2027, Ezio D. Leite of North Richland Hills, Texas (Mr. Leite is being reappointed).

Appointed to the Council on Sex Offender Treatment for a term to expire February 1, 2027, Emily G. Orozco-Crousen of Abilene, Texas (Ms. Orozco-Crousen is being reappointed).

Appointed to the Finance Commission of Texas for a term to expire February 1, 2022, Deborah S. "Debbie" Scanlon of Missouri City, Texas (replacing Margaret M. "Molly" Curl of Richardson, whose resigned).

Appointed to the Real Estate Research Advisory Committee for a term to expire January 31, 2023, Patrick Geddes of McKinney, Texas (replacing Jingjing "JJ" Clemence of Sugar Land, who resigned).

Appointed to the State Board for Educator Certification for a term to expire February 1, 2027, Rex W. Gore of Austin, Texas (replacing Kyrsten M. Arbuckle of Austin, who resigned).

Appointments for May 6, 2021

Appointed to the State Board of Dental Examiners for a term to expire February 1, 2027, Yvonne E. Maldonado, D.D.S. of El Paso, Texas (replacing Michael D. "David" Tillman, D.D.S. of Aledo, whose term expired).

Appointed to the State Board of Dental Examiners for a term to expire February 1, 2027, Robert G. "Bob" McNeill, D.D.S., M.D. of Dallas, Texas (Dr. McNeill is being reappointed).

Appointed to the State Board of Dental Examiners for a term to expire February 1, 2027, Margo Y. Melchor, Ed.D. of Houston, Texas (Dr. Melchor is being reappointed).

Appointed to the State Board of Dental Examiners for a term to expire February 1, 2027, Marquita F. Pride of Little Elm, Texas (replacing Rodney Bustamante of Austin, whose term expired).

Appointed as presiding officer of the State Board of Dental Examiners for a term to expire at the pleasure of the Governor, David H. Yu, D.D.S. of Austin (Dr. Yu is replacing Michael D. "David" Tillman, D.D.S. of Aledo).

Appointed to the Texas Woman's University Board of Regents for a term to expire February 1, 2027, Wanda "Janelle" Shepard of Weatherford, Texas (Mr. Shepard is being reappointed).

Appointed to the Texas Woman's University Board of Regents for a term to expire February 1, 2027, Crystal C. Wright, M.D. of Houston, Texas (replacing Carlos L. Gallardo of Frisco, whose term expired).

Appointed to the Texas Department of Housing and Community Affairs for a term to expire January 31, 2025, Kenny E. Marchant of Coppell, Texas (replacing Leslie Bingham Escareño of Brownsville, whose term expired).

Appointed to the Lower Colorado River Authority for a term to expire February 1, 2027, Melissa K. Blanding of Driftwood, Texas (replacing Charles B. "Bart" Johnson of Brownwood, whose term expired).

Appointed to the Lower Colorado River Authority for a term to expire February 1, 2027, Joseph M. "Joe" Crane of Bay City, Texas (Mr. Crane is being reappointed).

Appointed to the Lower Colorado River Authority for a term to expire February 1, 2027, Carol G. Freeman of Llano, Texas (replacing George W. Russell of Marble Falls, whose term expired).

Appointed to the Lower Colorado River Authority for a term to expire February 1, 2027, Martha Leigh M. Whitten of San Saba, Texas (Ms. Whitten is being reappointed).

Appointments for May 7, 2021

Appointed to the State Employee Charitable Campaign Policy Committee for a term to expire September 1, 2021, Brent D. Connett of Austin, Texas (replacing Gregory S. "Greg" Davidson of Austin, whose term expired).

Appointed to the State Employee Charitable Campaign Policy Committee for a term to expire September 1, 2022, Alicia G. Key Ellison of Dripping Springs, Texas (Ms. Ellison is being reappointed).

Appointed to the State Employee Charitable Campaign Policy Committee for a term to expire September 1, 2022, Vanessa L.C. Tanner of Austin, Texas (replacing Tabatha C. Vasquez of Manor, whose term expired).

Appointments for May 10, 2021

Appointed to the Texas Holocaust and Genocide Commission for a term to expire February 1, 2025, Lucy Taus Katz of Austin, Texas (replacing Virginica "Virginia" Prodan of Dallas, whose term expired).

Appointed to the Texas Holocaust and Genocide Commission for a term to expire February 1, 2025, Providence Umugwaneza of San Antonio, Texas (replacing Roger P. Naber of Fort Worth, whose term expired).

Appointed to the Crime Victims' Institute Advisory Council for a term to expire January 31, 2023, Lee Ann Breeding of Denton, Texas (replacing James M. Mosley of Borger, whose term expired).

Appointed to the Crime Victims' Institute Advisory Council for a term to expire January 31, 2023, Abigail C. "Abby" Brookshire of Midlothian, Texas (Ms. Brookshire is being reappointed).

Appointed to the Crime Victims' Institute Advisory Council for a term to expire January 31, 2023, Elizabeth L. "Libby" Hamilton of Austin, Texas (Ms. Hamilton is being reappointed).

Appointed to the Crime Victims' Institute Advisory Council for a term to expire January 31, 2023, Joan Huffman of Houston, Texas (Senator Huffman is being reappointed).

Appointed to the Crime Victims' Institute Advisory Council for a term to expire January 31, 2023, James White of Hillister, Texas (Representative White is being reappointed).

Appointed to the Crime Victims' Institute Advisory Council for a term to expire January 31, 2023, Erleigh N. Wiley of Forney, Texas (Ms. Wiley is being reappointed).

Appointed to the Texas Historical Commission for a term to expire February 1, 2025, Donna M. Bahorich of Houston, Texas (replacing Wallace B. Jefferson of Austin, whose term expired).

Appointed to the Texas Historical Commission for a term to expire February 1, 2025, James E. "Jim" Bruseth, Ph.D. of Austin, Texas (Dr. Bruseth is being reappointed).

Appointed to the Texas Historical Commission for a term to expire February 1, 2025, John W. Crain of Dallas, Texas (Mr. Crain is being reappointed).

Appointed to the Texas Historical Commission for a term to expire February 1, 2025, Rupa "Renee" Dutia of Dallas, Texas (Ms. Dutia is being reappointed).

Appointed to the Texas Historical Commission for a term to expire February 1, 2025, Gilbert E. "Pete" Peterson, III of Alpine, Texas (Mr. Peterson is being reappointed).

Greg Abbott, Governor
TRD-202101860



Proclamation 41-3815

TO ALL TO WHOM THESE PRESENTS SHALL COME:

WHEREAS, I, Greg Abbott, Governor of Texas, issued a disaster proclamation on March 13, 2020, certifying under Section 418.014 of the Texas Government Code that the novel coronavirus (COVID-19) poses an imminent threat of disaster for all counties in the State of Texas; and

WHEREAS, in each subsequent month effective through today, I have issued proclamations renewing the disaster declaration for all Texas counties; and

WHEREAS, the Commissioner of the Texas Department of State Health Services, Dr. John Hellerstedt, has determined that COVID-19 represents a public health disaster within the meaning of Chapter 81 of the Texas Health and Safety Code; and

WHEREAS, I have issued executive orders and suspensions of Texas laws in response to COVID-19, aimed at protecting the health and safety of Texans and ensuring an effective response to this disaster; and

WHEREAS, a state of disaster continues to exist in all counties due to COVID-19;

NOW, THEREFORE, in accordance with the authority vested in me by Section 418.014 of the Texas Government Code, I do hereby renew the disaster proclamation for all counties in Texas.

Pursuant to Section 418.017, I authorize the use of all available resources of state government and of political subdivisions that are reasonably necessary to cope with this disaster.

Pursuant to Section 418.016, any regulatory statute prescribing the procedures for conduct of state business or any order or rule of a state agency that would in any way prevent, hinder, or delay necessary action in coping with this disaster shall be suspended upon written approval of the Office of the Governor. However, to the extent that the enforce-

ment of any state statute or administrative rule regarding contracting or procurement would impede any state agency's emergency response that is necessary to cope with this declared disaster, I hereby suspend such statutes and rules for the duration of this declared disaster for that limited purpose.

In accordance with the statutory requirements, copies of this proclamation shall be filed with the applicable authorities.

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I have hereunto signed my name and have officially caused the Seal of State to be affixed at my office in the City of Austin, Texas, this the 5th day of May, 2021.

Greg Abbott, Governor
TRD-202101861



Proclamation 41-3816

TO ALL TO WHOM THESE PRESENTS SHALL COME:

WHEREAS, I, GREG ABBOTT, Governor of the State of Texas, issued a disaster proclamation on August 23, 2017, certifying that Hurricane Harvey posed a threat of imminent disaster for Aransas, Austin, Bee, Brazoria, Calhoun, Chambers, Colorado, DeWitt, Fayette, Fort Bend, Galveston, Goliad, Gonzales, Harris, Jackson, Jefferson, Jim Wells, Karnes, Kleberg, Lavaca, Liberty, Live Oak, Matagorda, Nueces, Refugio, San Patricio, Victoria, Waller, Wharton, and Wilson counties; and

WHEREAS, the disaster proclamation of August 23, 2017, was subsequently amended on August 26, August 27, August 28, and September 14 to add the following counties to the disaster proclamation: Angelina, Atascosa, Bastrop, Bexar, Brazos, Burleson, Caldwell, Cameron, Comal, Grimes, Guadalupe, Hardin, Jasper, Kerr, Lee, Leon, Madison, Milam, Montgomery, Newton, Orange, Polk, Sabine, San Augustine, San Jacinto, Trinity, Tyler, Walker, Washington, and Willacy; and

WHEREAS, on September 20, 2017, and in each subsequent month effective through today, I issued proclamations renewing the disaster declaration for all counties listed above; and

WHEREAS, due to the catastrophic damage caused by Hurricane Harvey, a state of disaster continues to exist in those same counties;

NOW, THEREFORE, in accordance with the authority vested in me by Section 418.014 of the Texas Government Code, I do hereby renew the disaster proclamation for the 60 counties listed above.

Pursuant to Section 418.017 of the code, I authorize the use of all available resources of state government and of political subdivisions that are reasonably necessary to cope with this disaster.

Pursuant to Section 418.016 of the code, any regulatory statute prescribing the procedures for conduct of state business or any order or rule of a state agency that would in any way prevent, hinder, or delay necessary action in coping with this disaster shall be suspended upon written approval of the Office of the Governor. However, to the extent that the enforcement of any state statute or administrative rule regarding contracting or procurement would impede any state agency's emergency response that is necessary to protect life or property threatened by this declared disaster, I hereby authorize the suspension of such statutes and rules for the duration of this declared disaster.

In accordance with the statutory requirements, copies of this proclamation shall be filed with the applicable authorities.

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I have hereunto signed my name and have officially caused the Seal of State to be affixed at my office in the City of Austin, Texas, this the 5th day of May, 2021.

Greg Abbott, Governor
TRD-202101862



Proclamation 41-3817

TO ALL TO WHOM THESE PRESENTS SHALL COME:

I, GREG ABBOTT, Governor of the State of Texas, do hereby certify that exceptional drought conditions pose a threat of imminent disaster in Andrews, Bailey, Bee, Brewster, Briscoe, Brooks, Cameron, Castro, Cochran, Culberson, Dawson, Deaf Smith, Dickens, Dimmit, Duval, Ector, El Paso, Floyd, Frio, Gaines, Goliad, Hale, Hidalgo, Hockley, Hudspeth, Jeff Davis, Jim Hogg, Jim Wells, Karnes, Kenedy, King, Lamb, La Salle, Live Oak, Loving, Lubbock, Lynn, Martin, McMullen, Midland, Parmer, Presidio, Randall, Reeves, Starr, Swisher, Terry, Ward, Webb, Willacy, Winkler, Yoakum, Zapata, and Zavala counties.

WHEREAS, significantly low rainfall and prolonged dry conditions continue to increase the threat of wildfire across these portions of the state; and

WHEREAS, these drought conditions pose an imminent threat to public health, property, and the economy;

THEREFORE, in accordance with the authority vested in me by Section 418.014 of the Texas Government Code, I do hereby declare a state of disaster in the previously listed counties based on the existence of such threat.

Pursuant to Section 418.017 of the code, I authorize the use of all available resources of state government and of political subdivisions that are reasonably necessary to cope with this disaster.

Pursuant to Section 418.016 of the code, any regulatory statute prescribing the procedures for conduct of state business or any order or rule of a state agency that would in any way prevent, hinder, or delay necessary action in coping with this disaster shall be suspended upon written approval of the Office of the Governor. However, to the extent that the enforcement of any state statute or administrative rule regarding contracting or procurement would impede any state agency's emergency response that is necessary to protect life or property threatened by this declared disaster, I hereby authorize the suspension of such statutes and rules for the duration of this declared disaster.

In accordance with the statutory requirements, copies of this proclamation shall be filed with the applicable authorities.

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I have hereunto signed my name and have officially caused the Seal of State to be affixed at my office in the City of Austin, Texas, this the 7th day of May, 2021.

Greg Abbott, Governor
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