



OFFICE OF THE COUNTY JUDGE
County of Hidalgo

RICHARD F. CORTEZ
County Judge

July 5, 2024

The Honorable Greg Abbott
Governor of Texas
c/o Chief Nim Kidd
Texas Division of Emergency Management
P.O. Box 4087
Austin, Texas 78773-0001

Dear Governor Abbott:

The County of Hidalgo, Texas is facing significant threats to life, health and property due to the impending impact of Hurricane Beryl posing a threat of imminent disaster, including widespread and severe property damage, injury and widespread flooding, damaging wind, and heavy rainfall.

I have determined that this incident is of such severity and magnitude that an effective response is beyond the capability of the local jurisdiction to control. Pursuant to §418.00 of the Texas Government Code, I am requesting that you declare a state of emergency for the State of Texas and issue appropriate directives to deal with the emergency.

A timely response to this request would be appreciated. If you would like to contact me please do so at 956-318-2600.

Sincerely,

Richard F. Cortez
County Judge
Hidalgo County, Texas