

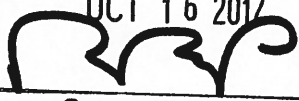


GOVERNOR GREG ABBOTT

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The Honorable Rolando B. Pablos  
Secretary of State  
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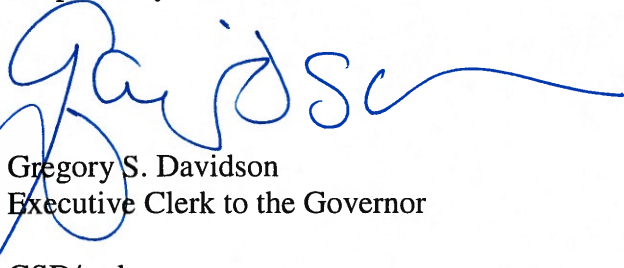
Dear Mr. Secretary:

Pursuant to his powers as Governor of the State of Texas, Greg Abbott has issued the following:

A proclamation suspending certain laws and regulations relating to vehicle registration and inspection as a result of the disaster created by Hurricane Harvey.

The original proclamation is attached to this letter of transmittal.

Respectfully submitted,



Gregory S. Davidson  
Executive Clerk to the Governor

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Attachment

**PROCLAMATION**  
BY THE  
**Governor of the State of Texas**

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TO ALL TO WHOM THESE PRESENTS SHALL COME:

WHEREAS, I, GREG ABBOTT, Governor of the State of Texas, did authorize the suspension of statutes and rules relating to vehicle registration and inspection requirements for motor vehicle owners who reside in disaster-declared counties for a period of 45 days beginning on August 31, 2017; and

WHEREAS, due to the catastrophic damage caused by Hurricane Harvey, vehicle registration and inspection requirements remain problematic and burdensome for many citizens in areas directly affected by the hurricane.

THEREFORE, in accordance with the authority vested in me by Section 418.016 of the Texas Government Code, I do hereby suspend the following laws and regulations relating to vehicle registration and inspection:

Sections 502.040, 502.473, and 548.605 of the Texas Transportation Code; and  
Title 43, Sections 217.25 and 217.28 of the Texas Administrative Code.

This suspension is in effect until November 15, 2017, and shall only apply to motor vehicle owners who reside in any of the following counties:

Aransas, Austin, Bastrop, Bee, Brazoria, Burleson, Caldwell, Calhoun, Chambers, Colorado, Comal, DeWitt, Fayette, Fort Bend, Galveston, Goliad, Gonzales, Grimes, Guadalupe, Hardin, Harris, Jackson, Jasper, Jefferson, Jim Wells, Karnes, Kleberg, Lavaca, Lee, Liberty, Madison, Matagorda, Milam, Montgomery, Newton, Nueces, Orange, Polk, Refugio, Sabine, San Augustine, San Jacinto, San Patricio, Tyler, Victoria, Walker, Waller, Washington and Wharton.

The executive director of the Texas Department of Motor Vehicles or her designee is directed to notify the Texas Department of Public Safety and relevant local government officials of this suspension.

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 16th day of October, 2017.

  
GREG ABBOTT  
Governor

ATTESTED BY:



ROLANDO B. PABLOS  
Secretary of State

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