

EXECUTIVE ORDER

August 22, 1973

No. D.B. -6

Providing for the establishment of the Defense and Disaster Relief Council and designating its Director and members.

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I, Dolph Briscoe, pursuant to the authority vested in me under the Constitution and laws of the State of Texas and particularly by Section 6 (a) of the Texas Disaster Act of 1973, (Acts, 1973, 63rd Legislature), hereby designate the Director of the Department of Public Safety as Director of the Division of Disaster Emergency Services. As Director of the Division of Disaster Emergency Services, he shall serve as my designated agent in the administration and supervision of the provisions of the Texas Disaster Act of 1973 and may exercise the powers granted to the Governor therein, and may accept from the Federal Government, or any public or private agency or any individual, any offer of services, equipment, supplies, materials, or funds as gifts, grants, or loans for the purposes of civil defense or disaster relief and may dispense such gifts, grants, or loans for the purpose for which they were made.

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The Director of the Division of Disaster Emergency Services is hereby designated as Chairman of the Defense and Disaster Relief Council herein established in accordance with Section 5 (c) of the Texas Disaster Act of 1973.

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Pursuant to the establishment of the Defense and Disaster Relief Council, I hereby designate the head of the following State agencies, boards, and commissions and representatives of organized volunteer groups to serve as members of the Defense and Disaster Relief Council and such others as may be added from

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3 Adjutant General's Department
4 Texas Aeronautics Commission
5 Agriculture Department
6 Texas Air Control Board
7 Attorney General
8 State Auditor
9 State Building Commission
10 Comptroller of Public Accounts
11 Board of Control
12 Texas Education Agency
13 Texas Employment Commission
14 Department of Health
15 Highway Department
16 State Board of Insurance
17 Texas Industrial Commission
18 Texas Board of Mental Health and Mental Retardation
19 Parks and Wildlife Department
20 Department of Public Safety
21 Department of Public Welfare
22 Railroad Commission
23 Veterans' Affairs Commission
24 Water Development Board
25 Water Quality Board
26 Water Rights Commission
27 Texas Forest Service
28 Texas Civil Air Patrol Commission
29 Division of Disaster Emergency Services
30 Texas Department of Community Affairs
31 American Red Cross
32 Texas State Technical Institute
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34 Each of the above designated agencies and groups has legal func-
35 tions relating to important phases of the State and Federal
36 Disaster Acts. Duties and responsibilities of each such agency
37 or group shall be delineated in the State Emergency Operations
38 Plan and Annexes thereto. The head of each of the designated
39 State agencies, boards and commissions and organized volunteer
40 groups may delegate a member of his staff to represent him on
41 the Defense and Disaster Relief Council.
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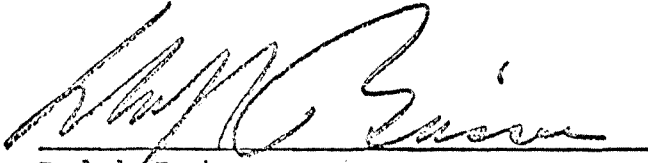
1 The Division of Disaster Emergency Services shall establish
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3 operational areas to be known as Disaster Districts which shall
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5 correspond to the boundaries of the Texas Highway Patrol Dis-
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7 tricts and Sub-districts and shall arrange for a District
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9 Disaster Committee for each Disaster District to be composed
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11 of representatives of each State agency, board or commission
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13 having membership on the Defense and Disaster Relief Council.
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15 The Highway Patrol Commanding Officer of each Highway Patrol
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17 District or Sub-district shall serve as Chairman of the Dis-
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19 trict Disaster Committee. Such Highway Patrol Chairman shall be
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21 assisted by the Division of Disaster Emergency Services Repre-
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23 sentative assigned to that District who shall provide guidance,
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25 counsel and administrative support as may be required.
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29 The Defense and Disaster Relief Council is hereby author-
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31 ized to issue such directives and executive orders as may be.
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33 necessary to effectuate the purpose of the Texas Disaster Act
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35 of 1973 and is further authorized and empowered to exercise the
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37 specific powers enumerated in the Act.
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41 This Executive Order has been effective since May 28, 1973
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43 and shall continue to be effective until abrogated or cancelled.
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45 All existing compacts, agreements, organizations, plans
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47 operations, directives and executive orders not in conflict
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herewith are continued in full force and effect.



Dolph Briscoe
Governor of Texas

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Director Adm. Div.

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