

**RESOLUTION RE-OPENING BARS
AND SIMILAR ESTABLISHMENTS**

WHEREAS, local small businesses, are the lifeblood of rural Texas; and

WHEREAS, prior Executive Orders issued by the Texas Governor regarding closures of the businesses, bars and restaurants due to COVID-19 have caused great financial hardships on these establishments; and

WHEREAS, the current hospital utilization rate for COVID-19 cases for Brown County and its Trauma Service Area (TSA) is less than 15% of hospital capacity; and

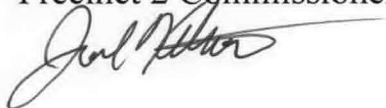
WHEREAS, On October 7, 2020, Texas Governor Greg Abbott issued an Executive Order to open bars and other similar establishments up to 50% capacity if local county officials decide to opt into the opening;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Brown County Commissioners Court has chosen to exercise their rights under this Executive Order to opt to open bars and other similar establishments up to 50% capacity beginning October 14th. Furthermore, all bars and other establishments choosing to open on October 14th shall follow all health and safety protocols established by local health officials, Texas Alcoholic Beverage Commission and as recommended by trade associations.

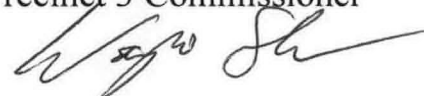
Dated this the 13th day of October, 2020.

Gary Worley
Precinct 1 Commissioner

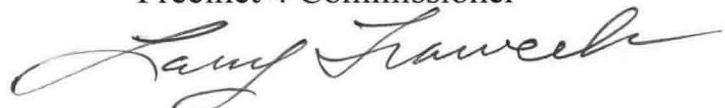
Joel Kelton
Precinct 2 Commissioner



Wayne Shaw
Precinct 3 Commissioner



Larry Traweck
Precinct 4 Commissioner



October 13, 2020
(Exhibit #8)