

CORONAVIRUS PROTOCOL

WILLACY COUNTY, CITY OF RAYMONDVILLE, CITY OF LYFORD, AND CITY OF SAN PERLITA ORDER AND JOINT PROCLAMATION FOR WILLACY COUNTY RESIDENTS FOR HALLOWEEN

WHEREAS, on March 19, 2020, the County Judge for Willacy County, Texas issued a Declaration of Local Disaster for Public Health Emergency due to the Novel Coronavirus COVID-19; thereby activating the Willacy County Emergency Management Plan;

WHEREAS, throughout this emergency disaster, the County Judge of Willacy County and the Mayors of the Cities of Raymondville, Lyford and San Perlita have consistently met to discuss and adopt measures in order to prepare for, respond to, and slow the spread of COVID-19 to protect the health of the citizens of Willacy County, Texas, including a curfew that remains in effect; and

WHEREAS, in unity and as part of the Emergency Management Plan, the County and City Leaders of Willacy County, Raymondville, Lyford, and San Perlita have deemed it necessary to issue this Order and Joint Proclamation regarding Halloween activities during COVID-19 for the public health and safety of Willacy County residents to impart the continuing urgency of this public health disaster; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDERED BY THE COUNTY JUDGE OF WILLACY COUNTY AND PROCLAIMED BY THE MAYORS OF RAYMONDVILLE, LYFORD, AND SAN PERLITA THAT:

In accordance with CDC Guidelines, only Lower Risk Activities will be allowed throughout Willacy County, including the cities of Raymondville, Lyford, and San Perlita, **beginning at 8:00 a.m. on October 23, 2020 and ending at 11:59 p.m. on November 2, 2020**. The Lower Risk Activities are:

- Carving and decorating pumpkins inside with members of your household, or doing so outside with a small group of neighbors or friends at a safe distance
- Decorating your home
- Doing a Halloween scavenger hunt where children are given list of holiday themed things to look for while walking outdoors or having a scavenger hunt-style trick-or-treat search for candy in and around your home with household members only
- Having a virtual Halloween costume contest
- Having a Halloween movie night with people you live with


The following activities listed as Moderate and/or Higher Risk, per the CDC Guidelines, will NOT be allowed. These include, but are not limited to the following:

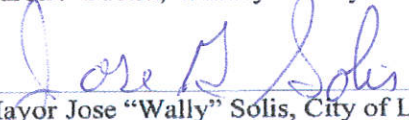
- Traditional door-to-door trick or treating
- Trunk or treats events at parking lots
- Attending crowded costume parties or indoor haunted houses
- Going on hayrides or tractor rides with people outside your household
- Traveling to festivals or activities outside the community

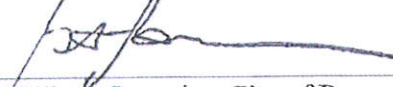
The CDC Guidelines are at: <https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/daily-life-coping/holidays.html#halloween>

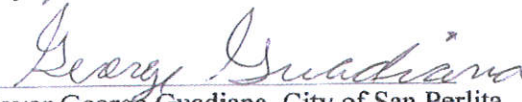
To the extent that this Order may be inconsistent with any orders issued by the Governor, then the Governor's Order shall control, but only to the extent this order may not restrict essential services or covered services, or allow gatherings prohibited by Executive Order. Violations will be strictly enforced and shall be punishable by a fine not to exceed \$500 per violation.

ISSUED this the 20th day of October, 2020 at 12:20pm.


Aurelio Guerra, Willacy County Judge


Mayor Jose "Wally" Solis, City of Lyford


Mayor Gilbert Gonzales, City of Raymondville


Mayor George Guadiana, City of San Perlita