

Cause No. \_\_\_\_\_

Hayley Abalos  
Upton County  
Elections Administrator

112<sup>TH</sup> DISTRICT COURT  
UPTON COUNTY, TEXAS

PETITIONER

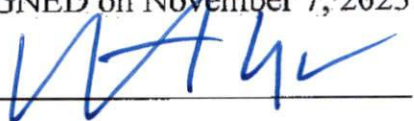
ORDER EXTENDING VOTING HOURS

It is ORDERED that the November 7, 2023, Upton County Constitutional Amendment Election shall proceed as required under state and federal law except that the polling locations shall remain open until 7:45 p.m.

It is further ORDERED that this order shall be posted on Upton County's website and the Elections Administrator's website shall be updated to reflect the terms of this order.

It is further ORDERED that any vote cast after 7:00 p.m. by a voter who was not inside the polling place or waiting to enter the polling place by 7 :00 p.m. shall be cast as a provisional ballot pursuant to Texas election laws.

SIGNED on November 7, 2023

  
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Pete Gomez, Jr.  
District Judge

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HAYLEY ABALOS

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DISTRICT COURT

UPTON COUNTY EA

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**EMERGENCY PETITION TO EXTEND VOTING HOURS**

1. I, Hayley Abalos, Upton County EA, requests emergency relief to extend voting hours.
2. Today, November 7, 2023 is a November Constitutional Amendment Election.
3. An active shooter in the area caused the closure of one polling location.
4. The territory for this election covers 3 precincts.
5. Pursuant to Texas election laws, ballots cast by individuals who arrive at a polling place after 7:00 p.m., but before the polls close, will be voted as provisional ballots.

6. Accordingly, the Upton County EA asks this Court to extend the hours at all polling locations from 7:00 p.m. to 7:45 p.m. to allow voters who may have been affected by today's emergency conditions additional time to vote. This will also give voters who arrive at a closed polling location close to 7:00 p.m. the opportunity to travel to an open location.

Respectfully submitted,

PAIGE SKEHAN UPTON  
COUNTY ATTORNEY  
RANKIN, TX 79778

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Paige Skehan". The signature is fluid and cursive, with a large initial "P" and "S".

AFFIDAVIT

STATE OF TEXAS     }  
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COUNTY OF UPTON    }

BEFORE ME, the undersigned authority, on this day personally appeared HAYLEY ABALOS, a person whose identity is known to me. After I administered an oath to her, upon her oath, she said:

"My name is HAYLEY ABALOS. I am over the age of eighteen years, of sound mind, and capable of making this affidavit. This affidavit is made on my personal knowledge and the statements herein are true and correct.

I am the UPTON COUNTY EA. Among my duties is the administration of elections.

In connection with my duties, I am monitoring the November 7, 2023 Amendment Election. I have carefully reviewed the factual allegations in the attached *Emergency Petition to Extend Voting Hours*. These factual allegations are true and correct."



SWORN TO and SUBSCRIBED before me by Hayley Abalos on November 7, 2023



My commission expires: