## NOTICE OF IMPLEMENTATION STAGE I DROUGHT CONTINGENCY PLAN Effective August 8, 2023

Dear Citizens, Residents, and Commercial Businesses of Marlin:

As a result of present drought conditions, high temperatures and resulting water shortages, the Interim City Manager, Chief Hommel, Fire Chief, Justin Parker, and I have directed the implementation of Stage I of the Marlin's Drought Contingency Plan. The Drought Contingency Plan is posted on the website for the City of Marlin (marlintx.net) for your review. At Stage I, the City is requesting our Citizens, Residents and Commercial Businesses to voluntarily restrict water usage for outdoor sprinkling, watering of lawns, shrubs, washing of automobiles or any other activity that uses large amounts of water. The City has already implemented water usage restrictions for all City operations. The immediate goal is to reduce the City's water usage by 10%. If we are unable to meet this goal, additional water usage restrictions may be implemented which may result in fines and other penalties for violations.

Accordingly, I am asking each Citizen, Resident and Commercial Business to do everything possible to minimize present water usage and conserve our water resources. Thank you for your attention to and cooperation with this request.

By adhereing to this voluntary contingency plan, we can collectively reduce our water consumption and minimize strain on our water sources.

Very truly yours,

Susan R. Byrd, Mayor