**Letterhead of Court**

**To: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ [ fill in name of Defendant]**

**The court has been advised that you have given a Declaration to your landlord under the CDC Evictions Moratorium.**

**Under the Moratorium, a landlord is not permitted to file an eviction case against you for nonpayment of rent or other amounts owed through March 31, 2021.**

**However, your landlord claims that your Declaration is not valid.**

**The court is going to have a hearing on whether the Declaration is valid or not as stated in the attached Notice.**

**If the court finds that the Declaration is valid, this case *will not* proceed and you will not be required to respond to it during the moratorium.**

**If the court finds that the Declaration is not valid, then this case *will* go forward and you will need to carefully review the citation and respond to the petition.**

**If you are unable to attend the hearing on the Declaration at the scheduled time, please call the court immediately at this number \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ so the court can reschedule the hearing.**

**CAUSE NO. \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_**

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Plaintiff §

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v. § PRECINCT \_\_\_

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Defendant § \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ COUNTY, TEXAS

**NOTICE OF HEARING ON PLAINTIFF’S CONTEST OF DEFENDANT’S DECLARATION**

Pursuant to the authority in the 34th Emergency Order and the CDC Moratorium, Plaintiff has contested Defendant’s Declaration for the following reason(s):

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**This court has scheduled a hearing to determine whether the Declaration is valid. If the Declaration is determined to be valid, the case may not proceed until after the eviction moratorium expires (currently Mar. 31, 2021).** **All parties should appear at this hearing with any evidence, witnesses, or information that would help the court determine the validity of the Declaration.**

The hearing is set for \_\_\_\_\_ \_.m. on \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_, 2020. The hearing will be:

* In person at the court located at \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_.
* Via remote hearing (see attached information for details).

**ISSUED AND SIGNED** on \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_, 20\_\_\_\_.

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JUSTICE OF THE PEACE, PRECINCT \_\_\_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ COUNTY, TEXAS