90612 CAUSE NO. STATE OF TEXAS, IN THE DISTRICT COURT Plaintiff, SS SS SS SS SS SS SS ٧. PARIS INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT, BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF PARIS INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT, PAUL JONES, in his official capacity as superintendent of the Paris Independent School District, LAMAR COUNTY, TEXAS and GEORGE FISHER, JENNY WILSON, BECKI NORMENT, CLIFTON FENDLEY, TERRY DAVIS, MANDEEP CHATHA-HOMER, and DR. GORDON STROM, JR., in their official capacities as trustees of the Paris Independent School District, Defendants.

ORDER GRANTING STATE OF TEXAS'S APPLICATION FOR A TEMPORARY RESTRAINING ORDER

Lamar County - 6th Distript GUICIAL DISTRICT

Before the Court is the State of Texas's Application for a Temporary Restraining Order. After due consideration of the motion, briefing, the evidence, and the law, the Court finds that this application should be granted.

The Court finds that Defendants do not have authority to issue or enforce a facemask mandate in light of Governor Abbott's executive order GA-38.

The Court finds that the State of Texas is thus likely to prevail on the merits and that a temporary restraining order is required to preserve the status quo and to prevent the irreparable harm of the continued violation of state law absent injunctive relief.

It is therefore ORDERED that the State of Texas's Application for a Temporary Restraining Order is GRANTED.

It is FURTHER ORDERED that Defendants are prohibited from enforcing a facemask mandate for as long as GA-38 (or a future executive order containing the same prohibitions) remain in effect.

It is FURTHER ORDERED that the State of Texas is exempt from the requirement to post bond.

It is FURTHER ORDERED a hearing on the State of Texas's application for temporary injunction is set for the 2154 day of 5 2021 at 9:00 A.M. The purpose of this hearing shall be to determine whether the Temporary Restraining Order should be made a temporary injunction pending a full trial on the merits.

Signed this 13th day of Sept, 2021 at 2:56 P.m.

JUDGE PRESIDING