

STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA

COUNTY OF HENDERSON

**PROCLAMATION OF STATE OF EMERGENCY
FOR HENDERSON COUNTY**

Pursuant to the authority granted to North Carolina counties under the North Carolina Emergency Management Act (Article 1 of Chapter 166A of the North Carolina General Statutes), and also pursuant to authority granted by Article II of Chapter 76 of the Henderson County Code, the following findings and proclamation is hereby made:

Findings:

- A. COVID-19 is a serious communicable disease that can result in serious illness or death; and,
- B. COVID-19 has been found in North Carolina, and the Centers for Disease Control has warned of the high public health threat caused by COVID-19; and,
- C. A national state of emergency has been proclaimed by the President of the United States; and,
- D. The Governor of North Carolina has proclaimed a statewide state of emergency, and has banned mass gatherings involving more than one hundred persons.
- E. Consultation has been made with the City of Hendersonville, the Town of Laurel Park, the Town of Fletcher, the Town of Mills River and the Village of Flat Rock.

NOW, therefore, in compliance with the proclamations of the President of the United States and the Governor of North Carolina, and after consultation with public health authorities, the undersigned hereby proclaims a state of emergency now exists in Henderson County. In accordance with this proclamation:

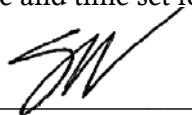
1. A State of Emergency is hereby declared within Henderson County, North Carolina. This declaration, and the directives included within it, includes all the unincorporated areas of Henderson County, and, with the consent of the City of Hendersonville, the Town of Laurel Park, the Town of Fletcher, and Town of Mills River and the Village of Flat Rock, in the incorporated areas of those municipalities.

2. I hereby order all Henderson County law enforcement officers under the command of the Henderson County Sheriff, Lowell Griffin, and all county emergency service and public safety resources at the direction of the County's Emergency Services Director, Jimmy Brissie, to cooperate in the enforcement and implementation of the provisions of this Declaration, all applicable local ordinances, state and federal laws, and the Henderson County Emergency Operations Plan.

3. I hereby order this declaration: (a) to be distributed to the news media and other organizations calculated to bring its contents to the attention of the general public; (b) to be filed with Clerk to the Henderson County Board of Commissioners; and (c) to be distributed to others as necessary to ensure proper implementation of this declaration.

4. This declaration shall take effect on March 14, 2020, at 6:00 p.m., and shall remain in effect until modified or rescinded.

PROCLAIMED the date and time set forth above.



STEVE WYATT

County Manager of Henderson County on behalf of
Grady Hawkins, Chairman of the Board of Commissioners, and
The Board of Commissioners of Henderson County