

TOWN OF WEAVERVILLE
STATE OF EMERGENCY PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS, the novel coronavirus known as COVID-19 is a respiratory disease that can spread from person to person and result in serious illness or death; and

WHEREAS, the World Health Organization declared COVID-19 a Public Health Emergency of International Concern on January 30, 2020; and

WHEREAS, on March 10, 2020, Governor Roy Cooper issued Executive Order Number 116 declaring a State of Emergency for the State of North Carolina based on the public health emergency posed by COVID-19, and, on March 12, 2020, Buncombe County followed suit and declared a Local State of Emergency; and

WHEREAS, the Town of Weaverville has the authority pursuant to N.C. Gen. Stat. § 166-19.22 to declare a Town-wide State of Emergency, and the Town's ability to declare a State of Emergency has been vested in the Town's Mayor pursuant to Section 8-32 of the Town of Weaverville Code of Ordinances; and

WHEREAS, the undersigned, in consultation with local health officials and emergency management officials, has determined that it is necessary and appropriate to act to ensure that COVID-19 remains controlled and that residents of and visitors to the Town of Weaverville remain safe and secure;

NOW, THEREFORE, by the authority vested in me by the laws of the State of North Carolina as the Mayor of the Town of Weaverville, **IT IS ORDERED**:

- Section 1: State of Emergency** – On March 17, 2020, I declared a State of Emergency as that term is defined in N.C. Gen. Stat. § 166A-19.3(6) and N.C. Gen. Stat. § 166A-19.3(19) for the Town of Weaverville based on the public health emergency posed by COVID-19, and with this action I continue the State of Emergency.
- Section 2: Statewide Restrictions** – The Town acknowledges the statewide COVID-19 related restrictions adopted by Governor Cooper applicable within the Town.
- Section 3: County Restrictions** – The Town, pursuant to N.C. Gen. Stat. § 166A-19.22(b)(2), withdraws its consent to all COVID-19 related restrictions in the Declarations of Local State of Emergency issued by Buncombe County, except as herein stated.
- Section 4: Hotels and Motels** – The Town hereby consents to Paragraph 3, subparagraph (b) of the County Declaration dated April 30, 2020, which is stated in full below, for so long as that restriction is applicable within the County or until the Town's consent to the restriction is withdrawn, or until July 31, 2020, whichever occurs first:
- Hotels and motels, short-term rentals less than 30 days, homestays and campgrounds are instructed to cancel currently scheduled leisure travel reservations and refrain from scheduling future leisure travel reservations so long as E0121 and any updates thereto, and/or extensions thereof, remain in effect. Current guests who have already checked in, and guests who are Buncombe County residents are permitted to stay. Any employees who work for businesses or organizations defined as essential may stay in any lodging. To comply with this order, operators must document the essential business occupation of any new residents or guests making reservations from outside the county.
- Section 5: Term, Future Modification, and Dissemination** – This Proclamation supersedes the Proclamation issued by the Town on March 17, 2020. The State of Emergency declared herein shall continue until it is expressly rescinded and may be amended by issuance of a subsequent proclamation as conditions warrant. The Town directs that copies of this Proclamation be disseminated to the mass communications media for publication and broadcast, and that a copy of this Proclamation be posted at Town Hall and other Town-owned buildings as appropriate.

THIS the 4th day of May, 2020.



ALLAN P. ROOT, Mayor

ATTEST:



DEREK HUNINGHAKE, Town Clerk

