



Town of Mars Hill

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PROCLAMATION LOCAL STATE OF EMERGENCY

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

WHEREAS, the Town of Mars Hill has authority pursuant to N.C. General Statute 166A-19.22 to declare a town-wide State of Emergency and that authority has been vested in the Mayor; and

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

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

Section 1. State of Emergency

I hereby proclaim and declare a State of Emergency as defined in N.C. General Statute 166A-19.3(6) and N.C. General Statute 166A-19.3(19) for the Town of Mars Hill based on the public health emergency posed by COVID-19.

Section 2. County Emergency Declaration

The Town of Mars Hill, pursuant to N.C. General Statute 166A-19.22(b)(2), further consents to extending the Declaration of a Local State of Emergency as may be issued by Madison County to the entirety of the Town of Mars Hill.

Section 3. Limitations on Organized Assemblages on Town-Owned Property

Pursuant to N.C. General Statute 166A-19.31(b)(1), it shall be prohibited for any organized group of two-hundred and fifty or more (250+) persons to assemble on property owned by the Town of Mars Hill until this Proclamation has been rescinded. This prohibition applies only to assemblies on Town-owned property and does not purport to regulate or limit any such gatherings on privately owned property.

Section 4. Term and Future Modifications

The State of Emergency declared herein shall continue until it is expressly rescinded. The provisions of this Proclamation may be amended by the issuance of subsequent proclamations as conditions warrant.

Section 5. Dissemination


The Town directs that copies of the 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.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Seal of the Town of Mars Hill, North Carolina to be affixed this 13th day of March 2020 at 12:00 p.m.

Attest:


NATHAN R. BENNETT,
Town Manager




JOHN L. CHANDLER
Mayor