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DECLARATION OF A STATE OF EMERGENCY

WHEREAS, the Governing Body of the City of Washington, North Carolina, has duly adopted an ordinance authorizing the Mayor or his designee to determine and proclaim the existence of a state of emergency and to impose various restrictions after he determines that such restrictions are necessary as a response to an emergency.

NOW THEREFORE, I, DONALD R. SADLER, MAYOR PRO TEM OF THE CITY OF WASHINGTON, NORTH CAROLINA DO HEREBY PROCLAIM:

- Execution of Emergency Plan: That an emergency exists and restrictions set forth in this Proclamation are necessary in order to maintain an acceptable level of public order, services, and protection of lives, safety, and property during this emergency, and I hereby order all employees of the City of Washington to implement and comply with the City of Washington Emergency Operations Plan and the provisions of the Emergency Declaration stated herein.
- Voluntary Evacuation of City of Washington Residents: In the best interest of public safety and protection, it is necessary for citizens in low-lying and flood-prone areas of the City of Washington to evacuate (VOLUNTARY) in response to Tropical Storm/Hurricane Isaias approach. Citizens are free to use any type of legal transportation, but they are to only use the designated evacuation routes, as determined by the Beaufort County Emergency Management Office and/or law enforcement agencies utilizing the North Carolina Coastal Region Evacuation Plan. The Greater Pamlico Chapter of the American Red Cross, in conjunction with the Beaufort County Emergency Management Office, Beaufort County Department of Social Services, and the Beaufort County Health Department will open shelters as necessary to provide our citizens a safe environment during the evacuation periods.
- Access to Restricted Areas: City Staff will restrict or deny access to any area, location, or street where such a restriction is necessary in order to help overcome this emergency or to prevent the emergency from worsening. These restrictions on access shall be indicated by means of barricades, posted notices, or orders to anyone in the area. Specifically, the area known as Stewart Parkway will be closed from 8:00 PM on August 3, 2020 until this Declaration is lifted.

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No person shall obtain access or attempt to obtain access to any area, location, or street to which the Chief of Police and his subordinates or any other agent of the City of Washington has restricted access according to this Declaration.

- Section 4. <u>Violation of this Declaration</u>: Anyone violating any restriction imposed by this Declaration or under its authority violates a City Ordinance and is guilty of a misdemeanor.
- **Section 5.** <u>Effective Date:</u> This Proclamation shall take effect immediately.

DELCARED this 3rd day of August, 2020.

DONALD R. SADLER, MAYOR PRO TEM