

**DECLARATION OF A STATE OF EMERGENCY TO
COORDINATE PROTECTIVE ACTIONS TO
PREVENT THE SPREAD OF COVID-19
THIRD AMENDMENT**

WHEREAS, on March 24, 2020, the Board of Commissioners determined that a State of Emergency as defined in Chapter 7 of the Columbus County Code of Ordinances exists in Columbus County, and now desires to further supplement said Declaration. The terms of this supplemental amendment are in addition to, not in lieu of, the March 24, 2020, Declaration, and in lieu of the first two amendments; and

WHEREAS, it is in the interest of all persons to slow the spread of the coronavirus, and a unified response is optimal to do so; and

WHEREAS, the coronavirus continues to spread in Columbus County; and

NOW, THEREFORE, pursuant to the authority vested in me as the Chairman of the Board of Commissioners of Columbus County under Article 1A of Chapter 166A of the North Carolina General Statutes and Chapter 7 of the Columbus County Code of Ordinances:

Section 1. The Columbus County Board of Commissioners, acting through the Chairman, hereby orders all county law enforcement officers, employees and all emergency management personnel to cooperate in the enforcement and implementation of the county emergency ordinances, which are set forth below. This order and amendment is in addition to and concurrent with all public health control measures authorized in North Carolina General Statute 166A and the provisions of the March 24, 2020 Declaration of State of Emergency.

Section 2. The terms set forth in the May 5, 2020 Executive Order 138 for North Carolina and the March 24, 2020 Declaration for Columbus County are hereby incorporated herein and the businesses and facilities listed therein are hereby ordered to cease operations and close in compliance with the terms of that Executive Order.

Section 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 Board of Commissioners of Columbus County and (c) to be distributed to others as necessary to ensure proper implementation of this declaration.

Section 4. This declaration shall take effect on May 9, 2020, at 12:00 a.m. and shall remain in effect until May 22, 2020, unless modified or rescinded prior to said date.

DECLARED this the 8th day of May, 2020, at 11:00 A.M.

P. Edwin Russ
P. Edwin Russ,
Chairman of the Board of Commissioners

ATTEST:

June B. Hall
June Hall, Clerk to the
Columbus County Board of Commissioners

