



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

WHEREAS, on July 1, 2020, the Chairman of the Columbus County 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 and modify said Declaration to comply with North Carolina Executive Order No. 215; 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, in recent months there have been improvements in slowing the spread of COVID-19 in Columbus County due to the diligence of the citizens and efforts of the Health Department and other healthcare providers to vaccinate;

WHEREAS, on May 13, 2021, the U.S. Centers for Disease Control and Prevention issued new Interim Public Health Recommendations for Fully Vaccinated People; 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 replaces and rescinds public health control measures authorized in the provisions of the July 1, 2020 Declaration of State of Emergency for Columbus County.

Section 2. The terms set forth in the May 14, 2021 Executive Order 215 for North Carolina are incorporated herein and compliance with the terms of said Order is hereby ordered.

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 This declaration shall take effect on May 27, 2021, at 5:00 p.m. and shall remain in effect until modified or rescinded.

DECLARED this the 26th day of May, 2021, at 11:30 am.

Ricky Bullard
Ricky Bullard, Chairman of the Board of Commissioners

ATTEST:

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

