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CONSENT TO APPLICATION OF AVERY COUNTY STATE OF EMERGENCY DECLARATION

WHEREAS, COVID-19 is a respiratory disease that can result in serious illness or death by the SARS-CoC-2 virus, which is a new strain of coronavirus previously unidentified in humans and which can spread from person to person; and

WHEREAS, in response to the global spread of the virus and the disease it causes, the World Health Organization has declared COVID-19 a Public Health Emergency of International Concern; the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention ("CDC") has warned of the high public health threat posed by COVID-19 globally and in the United States and has deemed it necessary to prohibit or restrict travel to areas designated by the CDC; the United States Department of Health and Human Services Secretary declared a public health emergency in the United States for COVID-19; and the North Carolina Department of Health and Human Services ("NCDHHS") confirmed multiple cases of COVID-19 in North Carolina as of March 10, 2020 and

WHEREAS, on March 10, 2020 the State of North Carolina, through the Office of the Governor, Roy Cooper, issued Executive Order No. 116 titled "Declaration of the State of Emergency to Coordinate Response and Protective Actions to Prevent the Spread of COVID-19"; and

WHEREAS, as a result of the above-described events, I have determined that there is an imminent threat of, or existing conditions have caused or will cause, widespread or severe damage, injury, or loss of life or property, and public safety authorities will be unable to maintain public order or afford adequate protection for lives or property; and

WHEREAS, the County of Avery has declared a state of emergency; and

WHEREAS, the Town of Newland is located within the County.

NOW, THEREFORE, pursuant to the authority vested in me as the Mayor of the Town of Newland under Article 1A of Chapter 166A of the North Carolina General Statutes and Chapter 35 of the Town of Newland Code of Ordinances:

Section 1. Pursuant to N.C.G.S. 166A-19.22(b)(2), the state of emergency declaration issued by Avery County shall apply within the corporate limits of the Town of Newland.

The Town of Newland is an equal opportunity service provider.

Section 2. Emergency restrictions and prohibitions imposed pursuant to the County's state of emergency declaration shall apply within the Town of Newland unless otherwise declared by an authorized municipal official on behalf of the Town of Newland.

Section 3. I hereby order all Town of Newland law enforcement officers and employees and all other emergency management personnel subject to our control to cooperate in the enforcement and implementation of the provisions of this Declaration, all applicable local ordinances, state and federal laws, and the Town of Newland and Avery County Emergency Operations Plan.

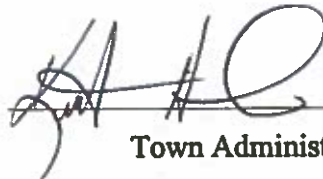
Section 4. I hereby order this declaration: (a) to be distributed to the news media and other organizations calculated to bring its contents to the attention of the general public; (b) to be filed with Clerk to the Town of Newland and (c) to be distributed to others as necessary to ensure proper implementation of this declaration.

Section 5. The application of the County's state of emergency declaration within the corporate limits of the Town of Newland shall remain in effect until further notice.

DECLARED this the day of 23rd March, 2020 at 12:30 P.M.


Valerie Jaynes, Mayor

ATTEST:


Town Administrator

