



PROCLAMATION *of the* TOWN OF KNIGHTDALE

DECLARING A STATE OF EMERGENCY IN THE TOWN OF KNIGHTDALE, NORTH CAROLINA (P-007)

WHEREAS, COVID-19 is a respiratory disease that can result in serious illness or death; and

WHEREAS, the World Health Organization declared COVID-19 to be a Public Health Emergency of International Concern on January 30, 2020; and

WHEREAS, the Center for Disease Control 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 designated areas; and

WHEREAS, the North Carolina Department of Health and Human Services has urged all North Carolinians to take steps to reduce the spread of COVID-19; and

WHEREAS, North Carolina Governor Roy Cooper declared a State of Emergency for the state of North Carolina on March 10, 2020; and

WHEREAS, Wake County Board of Commissioners Chairman Gregory Ford issued a State of Emergency Proclamation for Wake County on March 13, 2020; and

WHEREAS, on March 22, 2020 Wake County Board of Commissioners Chairman Gregory Ford issued a Proclamation of Emergency Restrictions for Wake County prohibiting the assembly of 50 or more persons, placing restrictions on nursing homes and long-term care facilities, prohibiting certain businesses from operating, and restricting the use of playgrounds; and

WHEREAS, on March 26, 2020 Wake County Board of Commissioners Chairman Gregory Ford issued an updated Proclamation of Emergency Restrictions for Wake County restricting the movement or travel of persons in Wake County except for the purposes of Essential Activities until April 16, 2020; and

WHEREAS, on April 15, 2020 Wake County Board of Commissioners Chairman Gregory Ford issued an amendment to the Proclamation of Emergency Restrictions extending the stay-at-home order through April 30, 2020, including provisions to allow for retail businesses to operate if they provide delivery or curbside pickup options, and allowing faith organizations to hold drive-in services; and

WHEREAS, on April 29, 2020 Wake County Board of Commissioners Chairman Gregory Ford issued a continuation of the State of Emergency for Wake County and terminated the County's Emergency Restrictions in favor of the State Restrictions. For the purpose of uniformity and

consistency, Chairman Ford mandated that all prohibitions and restrictions outlined in the Governor's Executive Orders apply to Wake County.

WHEREAS, the governor and county may enact additional restrictions in the coming days and citizens are urged to take notice of all restrictions enacted under North Carolina's Emergency Management Act; and

NOW, THEREFORE, by virtue of the authority vested in me as Mayor of the Town of Knightdale under Article 1A of Chapter 166A of the North Carolina General Statutes and Section 32.03 of the Town of Knightdale Code of Ordinances, I hereby declare that a State of Emergency continues within the jurisdiction of the Town of Knightdale.

Section 1. The emergency area covered by this State of Emergency shall be all areas within the jurisdiction of the Town of Knightdale.

Section 2. Pursuant to NC General Statute 166A-19.22, it is hereby requested that the State of Emergency Proclamation issued by Wake County on April 29, 2020 apply in its entirety to the Town of Knightdale.

Section 3. I hereby order all Town 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 Knightdale Emergency Operations Plan.

Section 4. Except for the facilities listed below, I hereby order all town facilities closed to the public, including Town Hall.

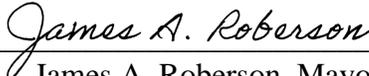
1. Public Safety Facilities
2. Knightdale Recreation Center, scheduled to open on June 8, 2020 for camp only
3. Knightdale Community Pool and Clubhouse, scheduled to open on June 13, 2020

Section 5. I hereby order this Declaration to be distributed to the news media, to be filed with the Town Clerk, and to be distributed to others as necessary to ensure proper implementation of this declaration.

Section 6. This Declaration shall take effect immediately and shall remain in effect until modified or rescinded.

This proclamation dated May 29, 2020 supersedes Proclamation P-006.

DECLARED this the 29th day of May, 2020.


James A. Roberson, Mayor



Heather M. Smith, Town Clerk