



SECOND SUPPLEMENTAL AMENDMENT TO DECLARATION OF A LOCAL STATE OF EMERGENCY

WHEREAS, based on public health guidance from the World Health Organization, the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, the United States Department of Health and Human Services and the North Carolina Department of Health and Human Services, Jackson County declared a Local State of Emergency on March 16, 2020 in an effort to promote social distancing to slow the spread of COVID-19.

WHEREAS, in just over the past week, the State of North Carolina, through the Governor, Roy Cooper, has issued Executive Order No. 116 titled “Declaration of a State of Emergency to Coordinate Response and Proactive Actions to Prevent the Spread of COVID-19; Executive Order No. 117 prohibiting mass gatherings and directing the statewide closure of K-12 public schools to limit the spread of COVID-19; Executive Order No. 118 “Limiting Operations of Restaurants and Bars and Broadening Unemployment Insurance Benefits in Response to COVID-19”; Executive Order No. 119 waiving restrictions on child care and elder care and providing DMV flexibilities; Executive Order No. 120 temporary closure of certain businesses in which members of the public may be in close contact with each other and extension of statewide closure of K-12 public schools in Response to COVID-19”; Executive Order No. 121 Stay at Home in Response to COVID-19,

WHEREAS, the latest Executive Order is a critical step in minimizing close contact between members of the community. Close contact for COVID-19 is currently defined as contact within six feet for a duration of at least ten minutes. Social Distancing is a specific strategy, proven by data to severely lessen the impact of high consequence pathogens by minimizing the opportunity for close contact encounters.

WHEREAS, given its specific knowledge of Jackson County and to further safeguard its residents and community via Social Distancing, Jackson County Public Health has determined that an imminent hazard exists and has issued guidance recommending the need to quarantine for 14

days if traveling to Jackson County, North Carolina from another state in order to slow the spread of COVID-19.

NOW THEREFORE, pursuant to the authority vested in me as the Chairman of the Board of Commissioners of Jackson County under Article 1A of Chapter 166A of the North Carolina General Statutes and the Emergency Management Ordinance for the County of Jackson I hereby declare:

Effective Saturday, March 28, 2020 at 12pm any person entering Jackson County who is coming to Jackson County from another state or Country must quarantine for 14 days upon arrival. All members of the household must remain in quarantine for 14 days as well so persons entering Jackson County from out of state or out of Country should bring with them enough supplies, such as groceries and medication, to last for 14 days.

By and with the consent of the mayors of the municipalities within Jackson County, this Declaration of Local State of Emergency applies within the municipal limits of the Town of Sylva, the Town of Dillsboro, the Town of Webster and the Village of Forest Hills.

This Declaration is in addition to the Executive Orders referenced above and should any provision hereof be declared invalid or unconstitutional by any court of any competent jurisdiction, such declaration shall not affect the validity of this Declaration that as a whole or any part thereof which is not specifically declared to be invalid or unconstitutional.

We direct that copies of this Declaration be disseminated to the mass communications media for publication and broadcast and that a copy of this Declaration be posted at the Jackson County Justice and Administration Building and other public buildings as appropriate.

Any person who violates any provision of the Declaration shall be guilty of a Class 2 misdemeanor in accordance with N.C.G.S. Sections 166A-19.31 and 14-288.20A

All of the terms and conditions of that said Local State of Emergency declared on March 16, 2020 and the Supplemental Declaration of a Local State of Emergency declared on March 23, 2020 remain in full force and effect.

This Second Supplemental Amendment to Declaration of a Local State of Emergency for Jackson County shall begin on Saturday, March 28th, 2020 and shall remain in effect until rescinded.

Adopted this the 27th day of March, 2020 at 5:00 p.m.

JACKSON COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

By:

Brian Thomas McMahon
BRIAN THOMAS MCMAHAN, Chairman

Attest:

Angela M. Winchester
ANGELA M. WINCHESTER, Clerk to the Board

