

**PROCLAMATION OF EMERGENCY**

The following Proclamation is issued by the Mayor of the City of Greenville:

**WHEREAS**, The North Carolina General Assembly has adopted Article 1A of Chapter 166A of the North Carolina General Statutes, entitled "North Carolina Emergency Management Act," which sets forth the authority and responsibility of the Governor, State agencies, and local governments in prevention of, preparation for, response to, and recovery from natural or man-made emergencies; and

**WHEREAS**, information from local law enforcement and other sources indicate that large gatherings of individuals in the corporate limits of the City of Greenville (hereinafter and sometimes also referred to as "designated area"), have begun to destroy property and have engaged in other unlawful acts including but not limited to riot, inciting others to riot, destruction of property, and are affecting public safety;

**WHEREAS**, there is a high probability that the herein described large gatherings of individuals include numerous persons from other locations in Greenville as well as out of the City's corporate limits; and

**WHEREAS**, N.C.G.S. § 166A-19.22 and N.C.G.S. § 166A-19.31, which are part of the North Carolina Emergency Management Act, authorizes municipalities to declare a state of emergency and authorizes municipalities to impose prohibitions and restrictions under conditions and following procedures contained in N.C.G.S. § 166A-19.22 and N.C.G.S. § 166A-19.31; and

**WHEREAS**, the entering of a State of Emergency and the imposition of prohibitions and restrictions are necessary in the City of Greenville in order to protect the public and property especially given the national and local protests against law enforcement and riot taking place within the corporate limits of the City of Greenville; and

**WHEREAS**, based upon both the information has been received and the known destructive events going on across the nation and State, there is a likely occurrence that such large gatherings, especially mobile crowds of unruly and riotous persons in the designated area will likely result in continued assaults, injury to persons and property, and riot, and will create a direct threat to public safety, public order, and services;

**NOW, THEREFORE**, the said civil unrest has created a State of Emergency in the City of Greenville, and pursuant to and in accordance with Chapter 166A of the North Carolina General Statutes, Chapter 14, Article 36A of the North Carolina General Statutes, and Title 5, Chapter 3, Article B of the Greenville City Code, I, P.J. Connelly, Mayor of the City of Greenville, do hereby proclaim and declare that a State of Emergency, as defined by N.C.G.S. § 166A-19.3(6) and N.C.G.S. § 166A-19.3(19), exists within the corporate limits of the City of Greenville and that the City of Greenville is the emergency area as defined by N.C.G.S. § 166A-19.3(7) and N.C.G.S. § 166A-19.22(b); and that the State of Emergency shall be in effect within the City of Greenville until this this Proclamation is terminated; and

**WHEREAS**, I further proclaim that the city of Greenville emergency operations plan and all applicable supporting plans, mutual assistance compacts, and mutual assistance agreements, are in effect and shall remain in effect until this proclamation expires or is rescinded. All city employees subject to the city's control are hereby ordered to cooperate in the implementation of the provisions of the emergency operations plan and all applicable supporting plans, mutual assistance compacts, and mutual assistance agreements, and to furnish assistance thereunder.

**WHEREAS**, I further hereby proclaim and declare that the following prohibition and restriction, authorized by Title 5, Chapter 3, Article B of the Greenville City Code, is necessary in order to maintain an acceptable level of public order and services, and to protect lives, safety, and property during this emergency, and that the same shall be in effect within the City of Greenville (designated area herein) until this Proclamation is terminated:

**SECTION A.      City Code § 5-3-15 (Access to Certain Areas).**

1.     The Chief of Police and his subordinates may restrict or deny access to any area, location, or street within the City where such a restriction or denial of access or use is reasonably necessary to promote efforts being made to overcome this emergency or to prevent further aggravation of this emergency. These restrictions on access shall be indicated by means of clearly posted notices, barricades, or orders to anyone in the area.
2.     No person shall obtain access or attempt to obtain access to any area, location, or street to which the Chief of Police and his subordinates have restricted access according to the above directive.

Anyone violating any restriction imposed by this Proclamation or under its authority violates a City Ordinance and is guilty of a misdemeanor.

I direct that copies of this Proclamation be posted in City Hall and the Municipal Building.

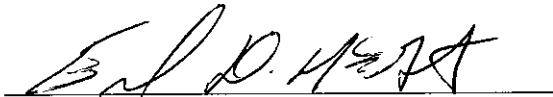
This Proclamation shall be effective at 1:00 a.m. on June 1, 2020 and shall remain in effect until terminated pursuant to a further Proclamation issued by the Mayor of the City of Greenville.

This the 1st day of June, 2020 at 1:00 a.m.



P.J. Connelly, Mayor  
City of Greenville

APPROVED AS TO FORM:



Emanuel D. McGirt  
City Attorney