



**SECOND AMENDED DECLARATION OF STATE  
OF EMERGENCY  
FOR THE  
TOWN OF OAK ISLAND**

**WHEREAS**, it has been determined that the COVID-19 pandemic poses an imminent threat and that existing conditions have caused or could likely cause widespread or severe illness, or loss of life to our citizens; and

**WHEREAS**, the Governor of the State of North Carolina has declared a State of Emergency for the State of North Carolina pursuant to G.S. 166A-19.3 as the result of the public health emergency posed by COVID-19; and

**WHEREAS**, Chapters 160A, 166A and 14 of the North Carolina General Statutes, as well as Article II of the Town's Code of Ordinances, authorize the Town of Oak Island to proclaim the existence of a State of Emergency; and

**WHEREAS**, pursuant to Article II of the Town Code of Ordinances, the Mayor or his designee is authorized to proclaim the existence of a State of Emergency and to declare orders for evacuation, curfew and various other restrictions and prohibitions; and

**WHEREAS**, the spread of COVID-19 is a public health incident that poses an imminent threat to the life, safety, health, and welfare of the residents, visitors and the public within the Town of Oak Island.

**NOW, THEREFORE**, pursuant to the authority vested in the Mayor by Chapters 160A, 166A and 14 of the North Carolina General Statutes, as well as Article II of the Town's Code of Ordinances, I, Ken Thomas, Mayor of the Town of Oak Island, do hereby declare the existence of a State of Emergency for the Town of Oak Island.

I further proclaim and hereby impose the following orders, prohibitions and restrictions:

- 1) **Discontinuance of All Short-term Rental Operations:** All rental agencies and property owners that rent properties on Town of Oak Island are instructed to have all current renters, with a rental period of less than 3 months' duration, and their invitees vacate the premises and leave the Town no later than 2:00 p.m. on Tuesday, March 24, 2020. Effective immediately, there will be no new rental occupancies duration less than 90 days allowed within the Town. Individuals and entities renting within the Town for purposes directly related to the COVID-19 pandemic or related to providing other essential public services are exempted from the prohibition contained in Paragraph 1.
- 2) The following restrictions and prohibitions are imposed:
  - a) All public beach parking areas are closed. This includes but is not limited to all

- pedestrian and vehicular traffic, bicycles, scooters, or any other mode of transportation.
- b) All public beach accesses are closed;
  - c) All Town parks are closed;
  - d) All Town recreational facilities are closed;
  - e) All right-of-way parking is prohibited;
  - f) All public boat ramps and associated public parking areas are closed.
  - g) All public kayak launches and associated public parking areas are closed.
  - h) All public street end parking areas, docks, piers and public accesses and all associated public parking areas are closed

The restrictions contained in this Paragraph 2 do not apply to government employees, agents, officials or contractors exercising the duties of their office in the provision of emergency services or essential public services.

3) The Town urges that all travel be limited to essential travel for property owners and residents, business owners and their respective employees and contractors, and municipal employees and contractors.

4) Town Operations: The Town Manager or his designee is hereby authorized to take all lawful actions necessary to manage the Town during this State of Emergency, including, without limitation, procuring goods and services necessary to manage this emergency including but not limited to the adjustment of hours, access, and operation of all government operations, Town-owned facilities, roads, rights-of-way, and parks, as deemed reasonably necessary to restrict the spread of COVID-19 and protect Town residents, the public and municipal employees.

5) I and the Town Council further strongly encourage everyone to comply with all CDC and Brunswick County Health Department guidelines, including limiting groups to no more than ten (10) people, limiting activities in public and maintaining at least six (6) feet of distance from other people as well as comply with the Executive Orders issued by the Governor.

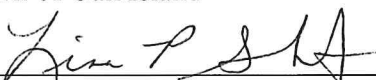
**NOTE: ANY PERSON WHO VIOLATES ANY PROVISION OF THIS DELCARATION OR ANY PROVISION OF ANY EXECUTIVE ORDER ISSUED BY THE GOVERNOR SHALL BE GUILTY OF A CLASS 2 MIDEMEANOR IN ACCORDANCE WITH N.C. GEN. STATUTE § 14-288.20A.**

This Second Amended Declaration of State of Emergency shall become effective immediately and shall remain in effect until April 30, 2020 or is otherwise modified or rescinded.

Declared this the 25<sup>th</sup> day of March, 2020.



  
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Ken Thomas, Mayor  
Town of Oak Island

Attested:   
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Lisa P. Stites, MMC, Town Clerk  
Town of Oak Island