DECLARATION OF A STATE OF EMERGENCY

WHEREAS, COVID-19 is a serious communicable disease that has been found in North Carolina posing a unprecedented public health threat to the entire state and,

WHEREAS, a National Emergency has been proclaimed by the President of the United States and the Governor of North Carolina has declared a statewide State of Emergency that closed schools, banned mass gatherings, and recommended social distancing to be practiced statewide and;

WHEREAS, as the Dare County Control Group met and were apprised of the local public health impacts by the Dare County Public Health Director,

NOW, THEREFORE, pursuant to the authority vested in me as the Chairman of the Dare County Board of Commissioners I hereby declare, pursuant to Article 19.20 of Chapter 166A of the North Carolina General Statutes and Chapter 92 - Emergency Management of the Dare County Code of Ordinances that a state of emergency as defined in Sections 19.3(6) and 19.3(19) of Chapter 166A of the North Carolina General Statutes exists in Dare County.

Section 1. A State of Emergency is hereby declared within the jurisdiction of Dare County. This declaration, and the directives included within it, includes all unincorporated areas of Dare County and with the consent of the Mayors of the Towns of Duck, Southern Shores, Kitty Hawk, Kill Devil Hills, Nags Head, and Manteo in the incorporated areas of those municipalities.

Section 2. The emergency area covered by this state of emergency shall be Dare County.

Section 3. Mass gatherings in Dare County are prohibited.

A mass gathering is defined as any event or convening that brings together more than fifty (50) persons in a single room or single space at the same time, such as an auditorium, stadium, arena, large conference room, meeting hall, theater, or any other confined indoor or outdoor space. This includes parades, fairs and festivals.

A mass gathering does not include normal operations at airports, bus and train stations, medical facilities, libraries, shopping malls and centers, or other spaces where more than fifty (50) persons are gathered. It also does not include office environments, restaurants, factories, grocery stores or other retail establishments.

Section 4. I hereby order all Dare County 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 Dare County Emergency Operations Plan.
Section 5. 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 Dare County Board of Commissioners and (c) to be distributed to others as necessary to ensure proper implementation of this declaration.

Section 6. This declaration shall take effect on March 16, 2020 at noon, and shall remain in effect until modified or rescinded.

DECLARED

Chairman, Dare County Board of Commissioners

ATTEST:

Cheryl C. Inks
Dare County Clerk to the Dare County Board of Commissioners
DECLARATION IMPOSING ADDITIONAL RESTRICTIONS AND PROHIBITIONS UNDER DARE COUNTY STATE OF EMERGENCY DECLARATION FOR COVID-19

WHEREAS, on March 16, 2020, Dare County declared a State of Emergency due to the unprecedented public health threat posed by COVID-19, a life threatening communicable disease that has been found in North Carolina; and

WHEREAS, after the Dare County State of Emergency was declared, the President of the United States issued “The President’s Coronavirus Guidelines for America -- 15 Days to Slow the Spread of Coronavirus (COVID-19)” which provided additional mitigation guidelines to slow the spread of COVID-19; and

WHEREAS, as the Dare County Control Group met and were apprised of the new guidelines and local public health impacts by the Dare County Public Health Director; and

WHEREAS, Dare County has determined that additional restrictions and prohibitions are necessary to protect public health and safety from COVID-19.

NOW, THEREFORE, pursuant to the authority vested in me as the Chairman of the Dare County Board of Commissioners pursuant to Article 1A of Chapter 166A of the North Carolina General Statutes and Chapter 92 – Emergency Management of the Dare County Code of Ordinances, the following restrictions and prohibitions are hereby imposed:

Section 1. Mass gatherings in Dare County are prohibited.

A mass gathering is defined as any event or convening that brings together more than fifty (50) persons in a single room or single space at the same time, such as an auditorium, stadium, arena, large conference room, meeting hall, theater, or any other confined indoor or outdoor space. This includes parades, fairs and festivals.

A mass gathering does not include normal operations at airports, bus and train stations, medical facilities, libraries, shopping malls and centers, or other spaces where more than fifty (50) persons are gathered. It also does not include office environments, restaurants, factories, grocery stores or other retail establishments.

Section 4: Entry into Dare County by non-resident visitors is prohibited.

Pursuant to N.C.G.S. 166A-19.31, a violation of any of the restrictions and prohibitions imposed under this declaration is punishable as a Class 2 misdemeanor in accordance with G.S. 14-288.20A.

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 Dare County Board of Commissioners and (c) to be distributed to others as necessary to ensure proper implementation of this declaration.
This declaration shall take effect on March 17, 2020, 2 PM, and shall remain in effect until modified or rescinded.

DECLARED:

[Signature]

Chairman, Dare County Board of Commissioners

ATTEST:

[Signature]

Dare County Clerk to the Dare County Board of Commissioners
DECLARATION IMPOSING ADDITIONAL RESTRICTIONS AND PROHIBITIONS
UNDER DARE COUNTY STATE OF EMERGENCY DECLARATION FOR COVID-19

WHEREAS, on March 16, 2020, Dare County declared a State of Emergency due to the
unprecedented public health threat posed by COVID-19, a life threatening communicable disease
that has been found in North Carolina; and

WHEREAS, Dare County declared additional restrictions and prohibitions effective at 2
PM on March 17, 2020 prohibiting mass gatherings and prohibiting the entry of non-resident
visitors; and

WHEREAS, the Dare County Control Group met and were apprised by the Dare County
Public Health Director that additional restrictions and prohibitions are necessary to protect public
health and safety from COVID-19.

NOW, THEREFORE, pursuant to the authority vested in me as the Chairman of the
Dare County Board of Commissioners pursuant to Article 1A of Chapter 166A of the North
Carolina General Statutes and Chapter 92 – Emergency Management of the Dare County Code
of Ordinances, the following restrictions and prohibitions are hereby imposed:

Section 1: All previous restrictions and prohibitions previously imposed remain in effect,
including the prohibition on mass gatherings and the entry of non-resident visitors.

Section 2: The entry of non-resident property owners is prohibited.

Pursuant to N.C.G.S. 166A-19.31, a violation of any of the restrictions and prohibitions
imposed under this declaration is punishable as a Class 2 misdemeanor in accordance with G.S.
14-288.20A.

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 Dare County Board of Commissioners and (c) to be distributed to others as
necessary to ensure proper implementation of this declaration.

This declaration shall take effect on March 20, 2020, at 10 PM, and shall remain in effect
until modified or rescinded.

DECLARED:

Chairman, Dare County Board of Commissioners

ATTEST:  
Dare County Clerk to the Dare County
Board of Commissioners
DECLARATION IMPOSING ADDITIONAL RESTRICTIONS AND PROHIBITIONS UNDER DARE COUNTY STATE OF EMERGENCY DECLARATION FOR COVID-19

STAY HOME-STAY HEALTHY

WHEREAS, beginning in December 2019, a novel coronavirus, now designated SARS-CoV2 which causes the disease COVID-19, has spread throughout the world and has now been declared a global pandemic by the World Health Organization; and

WHEREAS, a State of Emergency was declared by the Governor of North Carolina on March 10, 2020; and

WHEREAS, on March 16, 2020, Dare County declared a State of Emergency due to the unprecedented public health threat posed by COVID-19, a life threatening communicable disease that has been found in North Carolina; and

WHEREAS, symptoms of COVID-19 include fever, coughing, and shortness of breath. In some cases the virus has caused death; and

WHEREAS, The virus that causes COVID-19 is easily transmitted through person to person contact, especially in group settings, and it is essential that the spread of the virus be slowed to protect the ability of public and private health care providers to handle the influx of new patients and safeguard public health and safety; and

WHEREAS, scientific evidence and best practices regarding the most effective approaches to slow the transmission of communicable diseases generally and COVID-19 particularly, and evidence that age, condition and health of a significant portion of the population of the County and Towns places the population at risk of serious health complications, including death from COVID-10; and

WHEREAS, many individuals who contract the virus display no symptoms or have mild symptoms which means they may not be aware they carry the virus. People without symptoms can transmit the disease and because evidence shows the disease is easily spread, mass gatherings can result in further transmissions of the virus; and

WHEREAS, it is essential to slow viral transmission as much as possible to protect the most vulnerable and to prevent the health care system from being overwhelmed; and

WHEREAS, Dare County declared additional restrictions and prohibitions effective at 2 p.m. on March 17, 2020 prohibiting mass gatherings and prohibiting the entry of non-resident visitors; and

WHEREAS, Dare County declared additional restrictions and prohibitions effective at 10:00 p.m. on March 20, 2020 prohibiting the entry of non-resident property owners; and
WHEREAS, Because of the risk of the rapid community spread of the virus, and the need to protect the most vulnerable members of the community, this supplemental declaration requires all individuals anywhere in Dare County to stay at home, except for certain essential activities and work to provide essential business and government services or perform essential public infrastructure construction, including housing; and

WHEREAS, this Order is entered to ensure that the maximum number of people self-isolate in their places of residence to the maximum extent feasible, while enabling essential services to continue to slow the spread of COVID-19 to the maximum extent possible. When people need to leave their places of residence, whether to obtain or perform essential services, or to otherwise facilitate authorized activities necessary for continuity of social and commercial life, they should at all times reasonably comply with CDC recommendations of Social Distancing Requirements of at least six (6) feet apart. Individuals whose residences are unsafe or become unsafe, such as victims of domestic violence, are permitted and urged to leave their home and stay at a safe alternative location. For purposes of this Proclamation, homes or residences include hotels, motels, shared rental units, shelters, and similar facilities. All provisions of this Proclamation should be interpreted to effectuate this intent; and

WHEREAS, the Dare County Control Group met and were apprised by the Dare County Public Health Director that additional restrictions and prohibitions are necessary to protect public health and safety from COVID-19.

NOW, THEREFORE, pursuant to the authority vested in me as the Chairman of the Dare County Board of Commissioners pursuant to Article 1A of Chapter 166A of the North Carolina General Statutes and Chapter 92 – Emergency Management of the Dare County Code of Ordinances, and with the consents of Mayors of the Towns of Duck, Southern Shores, Kitty Hawk, Kill Devil Hills, Nags Head and the Manteo Mayors designee, the following restrictions and prohibitions are hereby imposed in all of incorporated and unincorporated Dare County:

Section 1: All previous restrictions and prohibitions previously imposed remain in effect, including the entry of non-resident visitors, the entry of non-resident property owners and the prohibition on mass gatherings which by this order is hereby reduced to 10 people.

Section 2: As the virus that causes COVID-19 is easily transmitted through person to person contact, especially in group settings, and it is essential that the spread of the virus be slowed to protect the ability of public and private health care providers to handle the influx of new patients and safeguard public health and safety; and

Because of the risk of the rapid community spread of the virus, and the need to protect the most vulnerable members of the community, this supplemental declaration requires all individuals anywhere in Dare County to stay at home, except for certain essential activities and work to provide essential business and government services or perform essential public infrastructure construction, including housing.

1. This Order takes effect at 5:00 p.m. on Saturday, March 28, 2020 and will remain in effect unless modified, extended or rescinded, subject to the limited exceptions and under the terms and conditions more particularly set forth below;

2. All individuals currently living within Dare County are ordered to stay at their place of residence. For the purposes of this Order, residences include hotels, motels, shared rentals, and similar facilities. To the extent individuals are using shared or outdoor spaces, they must at all times as reasonably as possible maintain social distancing of at least six feet from any other person when they are outside their residence. All persons may leave their residences only for Essential Activities, or to provide or perform Essential Governmental Functions, or to operate Essential Businesses, all as defined in Section 6.b.
3. All businesses operating within Dare County, except Essential Businesses as defined below in Section 6.b., are required to cease all activities at facilities located within the County. For clarity, businesses may continue operations consisting exclusively of employees, contractors, and subcontractors, authorized to be in Dare County performing activities authorized by this order. To the greatest extent possible, all Essential Businesses shall comply with the Social Distancing Guidelines attached, including maintaining six-foot social distancing for both employees and the general public.

4. All public or private gatherings of any number of people occurring outside a single household or living unit are prohibited, except as otherwise provided herein. Nothing in this Order prohibits the gathering of members of a household or living unit.

5. Restaurants with or without drive-in or drive-through services and microbreweries, microdistilleries, or wineries may only provide take out, delivery, or drive-through services as allowed by law.

6. Definitions:
   a. For purposes of this Order, individuals may leave their residence only to perform any of the following “Essential Activities”:
      i. **For health and safety.** To engage in activities or perform tasks essential to their health and safety, or to the health and safety of their family or household members (for example, obtaining medical supplies or medication, visiting a health care professional, or obtaining supplies needed to work from home).
      ii. **For necessary supplies and services.** To obtain necessary services or supplies for themselves and their family or household members, or to deliver those services or supplies to others (for example, food, pet supply, and any other household consumer products, and products necessary to maintain the safety, sanitation, and essential operation of residences).
      iii. **For outdoor activity.** To engage in outdoor activity, provided the individuals comply with social distancing requirements of six feet (for example, walking, biking, hiking, or running).
      iv. **For work deemed essential.** To perform work providing essential products and services at an Essential Business or to otherwise carry out activities specifically permitted in this Order.
      v. **To take care of others.** To care for a family member, a neighbor, a friend, or pet in another household.
   b. For purposes of this Declaration, “Essential Businesses” is defined as follows:
      i. Essential Healthcare Operations. Healthcare operations, including hospitals, clinics, dentists, pharmacies, pharmaceutical and biotechnology companies, other healthcare facilities, healthcare suppliers, mental health providers, substance use disorder service providers, blood banks, medical research, laboratory services, or any related and/or ancillary healthcare services. Home-based and residential-based care for seniors, adults, or children are also considered healthcare operations. Healthcare operations also include veterinary care and all health and welfare services provided to animals. This exemption shall be viewed broadly to avoid any impacts to the delivery of
healthcare. Healthcare operations do not include fitness and exercise gyms and similar facilities. Healthcare operations do not include elective medical, surgical, and dental procedures as established in accordance with Subsection 8 of this Order.

ii. Essential Government Functions. All services provided by local governments needed to ensure the continuing operation of the government agencies to provide for the health, safety and welfare of the public, including necessary meetings. Further, nothing in this order shall prohibit any individual from performing or accessing “Essential Government Functions.” All Essential Government Functions shall be performed in compliance with social distancing requirements of six feet, to the extent possible.

iii. Essential Critical Infrastructure. Work necessary to the operations and maintenance of the 16 critical infrastructure sectors as identified by the National Cybersecurity and Infrastructure Agency (CISA), including public works construction, residential and commercial construction, maintenance of Essential Critical Infrastructure, airport operations, water, sewer, gas, electrical, oil refining, roads and highways, public transportation, solid waste collection and removal, internet, and telecommunications systems (including the provision of essential global, national, and local infrastructure for computing services, business infrastructure, communications, and web-based services), financial institutions, defense and national security-related operations, essential manufacturing operations provided that they carry out those services or that work in compliance with social distancing requirements of six feet, to the extent possible. Essential Businesses providing essential infrastructure should implement screening precautions to protect employees and all activity shall be performed in compliance with social-distancing guidelines attached.

iv. Essential Retail. Food service providers, including grocery stores, warehouse stores, big-box stores, liquor stores, gas stations, nurseries, tackle shops, and convenience stores, farmers markets that sell food products and household staples. Food cultivation, including farming, fishing, and livestock. Businesses that ship or deliver groceries, food, goods or services directly to customers. Restaurants and other facilities that prepare and serve food, but only for delivery or carry out. Schools and other entities that typically provide free services to students or members of the public on a pick-up and take-away basis only. The restriction of delivery or carry out does not apply to cafes and restaurants located within hospital and medical facilities. Laundromats, dry cleaners, and laundry service providers. Gas stations, propane distributors, auto-supply, auto and bicycle repair, hardware stores, and related facilities. Businesses that supply products needed for people to work from home.

v. Educational Institutions facilitating distance learning. Educational institutions, including public and private K-12 schools, colleges, and universities, for purposes of facilitating distance learning, performing critical research, or performing essential functions that are needed or appropriate for continuing operations or addressing the public health emergency, provided that social distancing is maintained to the greatest extent practicable. Each educational institution shall determine its essential functions and the employees and/or contractors necessary to the performance of those functions.
vi. Providers of Basic Necessities to Economically Disadvantaged Populations. Businesses or entities that provide food, shelter, and social services, and other necessities of life for economically disadvantaged or otherwise needy individuals. This includes adult day cares, churches, schools, nonprofits and charities.

vii. Essential Services Necessary to Maintain Essential Operations of Residences or Other Essential Businesses. Trash and recycling collection, processing and disposal; mail and shipping services; building cleaning, maintenance and security; property managers, contractors, subcontractors, landscapers; warehouse/distribution and fulfillment; storage for essential businesses; funeral homes, crematoriums and cemeteries. Plumbers, electricians, exterminators, and other service providers who provide services that are necessary to maintaining the safety, sanitation, and essential operations of residences and Essential Businesses. Professional services, such as legal, engineering, architectural, or accounting services.

viii. Businesses that supply other essential businesses with products, supplies or support needed to operate.


x. Childcare Services. Childcare facilities providing services that enable employees exempted in this Order to work as permitted.

xi. All Businesses may maintain Minimum Basic Operations. For purposes of this declaration, Minimum Basic Operations include the following, provided that employees comply with Social Distancing Requirements, to the greatest extent feasible, while carrying out such operations:

1. The minimum necessary activities to maintain the value of the business’s inventory, preserve the condition of the business’s physical plant and equipment, ensure security, process payroll and employee benefits, or for related functions.

2. The minimum necessary activities to facilitate employees of the business being able to continue work remotely from their residences, for example one employee going to the office for administrative work so that all others may continue to work remotely.

7. If someone in a household has tested positive for COVID-19 or has signs and symptoms consistent with COVID-19 (i.e., fever and cough or difficulty breathing), they are instructed to self-isolate at home, the other occupants of the household are ordered to quarantine at home following the guidance of public health.

8. Elderly persons and those deemed at high risk of severe illness from COVID-19 are urged to stay in their residence to the greatest extent possible, except as necessary to seek medical care. Those at high risk should seek telemedicine solutions first before travelling to a health care provider. Nothing in this proclamation prevents the Dare County Health Director from issuing and enforcing isolation and quarantine orders or executing other duties as required.
9. Long-term care settings (including, but not limited to, skilled nursing facilities, adult care homes, family care homes, and assisted living facilities) are instructed by this order to prohibit non-essential visitors from accessing their facilities unless to provide critical assistance or for end-of-life visitation.

10. The County of Dare will promptly provide copies of this Order by posting on the Dare County website. In addition, the owner, manager, or operator of any facility that is likely to be impacted by this Order is strongly encouraged to post a copy of this Order onsite and to provide a copy to any member of the public asking for a copy.

11. If any subsection, sentence, clause, phrase, or word of this Order or any application of it to any person, structure, gathering, or circumstance is held to be invalid or unconstitutional by a decision of a court of competent jurisdiction, then such decision will not affect the validity of the remaining portions or applications of this Order.

Pursuant to N.C.G.S. 166A-19.31, a violation of any of the restrictions and prohibitions imposed under this declaration is punishable as a Class 2 misdemeanor in accordance with G.S. 14-288.20A.

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 Dare County Board of Commissioners and (c) to be distributed to others as necessary to ensure proper implementation of this declaration.

This declaration shall take effect on March 28, 2020, at 5:00 p.m. and shall remain in effect until modified, extended or rescinded.

DEclared:

[Signature]
Chairman, Dare County Board of Commissioners

ATTEST:

[Signature]
Dare County Clerk to the Dare County Board of Commissioners
DECLARATION AMENDING ADDITIONAL RESTRICTIONS AND PROHIBITIONS UNDER DARE COUNTY STATE OF EMERGENCY DECLARATION FOR COVID-19

WHEREAS, a State of Emergency was declared by the Governor of North Carolina on March 10, 2020; and,

WHEREAS, on March 16, 2020, Dare County declared a State of Emergency due to the unprecedented public health threat posed by COVID-19, a life threatening communicable disease that has been found in North Carolina; and,

WHEREAS, Dare County declared additional restrictions and prohibitions effective at 2 p.m. on March 17, 2020 prohibiting mass gatherings and prohibiting the entry of non-resident visitors; and,

WHEREAS, Dare County declared additional restrictions and prohibitions effective at 10 p.m. on March 20, 2020 prohibiting the entry of non-resident property owners; and,

WHEREAS, Dare County declared additional restrictions and prohibitions effective at 5 p.m. on March 28, 2020 implementing Stay Home, Stay Healthy restrictions and prohibitions; and,

WHEREAS, the Governor of North Carolina issued Executive Order NO. 121 on March 27, 2020 implementing a statewide stay at home order and strategic directions for North Carolina in response to increasing COVID-19 cases; and,

WHEREAS, the Dare County Control Group has determined Executive Order NO. 121 will mitigate the spread of COVID-19 in Dare County,

NOW, THEREFORE, pursuant to the authority vested in me as the Chairman of the Dare County Board of Commissioners pursuant to Article I A of Chapter 166A of the North Carolina General Statutes and Chapter 92 - Emergency Management of the Dare County Code of Ordinances, and with the consents of Mayors of the Towns of Duck, Southern Shores, Kitty Hawk, Kill Devil Hills, Nags Head and the Manteo Mayors designee, the following restrictions and prohibitions are hereby imposed in all of incorporated and unincorporated Dare County:

Section 1: All previous restrictions and prohibitions previously imposed remain in effect, including the entry of non-resident visitors, the entry of non-resident property owners, the prohibition on mass gatherings of 10 people, and the Stay Home, Stay Healthy order.

Section 2: Effective at 5:00 p.m. on March 28, 2020, the Governor’s stay at home order issued on March 27, 2020 shall be followed in Dare County. To the extent there are differences, whether more or less restrictive, the Governor’s order shall control.

Pursuant to N.C.G.S. 166A-19.31, a violation of any of the restrictions and prohibitions imposed under this declaration is punishable as a Class 2 misdemeanor in accordance with G.S. 14-288.20A.

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 Dare County Board of Commissioners and (c) to be distributed to others as necessary to ensure proper implementation of this declaration.
This declaration shall take effect on March 28, 2020, at 5:00 p.m. and shall remain in effect until modified, extended or rescinded.

DECLARED

[Signature]
Chairman, Dare County Board of Commissioners

ATTEST:

[Signature]
Clerk to the Dare County Board of Commissioners
DECLARATION AMENDING ADDITIONAL RESTRICTIONS AND PROHIBITIONS UNDER DARE COUNTY STATE OF EMERGENCY DECLARATION FOR COVID-19

WHEREAS, a State of Emergency was declared by the Governor of North Carolina on March 10, 2020; and,

WHEREAS, on March 16, 2020, Dare County declared a State of Emergency due to the unprecedented public health threat posed by COVID-19, a life threatening communicable disease that has been found in North Carolina; and,

WHEREAS, Dare County declared additional restrictions and prohibitions effective at 2 p.m. on March 17, 2020 prohibiting mass gatherings and prohibiting the entry of non-resident visitors; and,

WHEREAS, Dare County declared additional restrictions and prohibitions effective at 10 p.m. on March 20, 2020 prohibiting the entry of non-resident property owners; and,

WHEREAS, Dare County declared additional restrictions and prohibitions effective at 5 p.m. on March 28, 2020 implementing Stay Home, Stay Healthy restrictions and prohibitions; and,

WHEREAS, the Governor of North Carolina issued Executive Order NO. 121 on March 27 2020 implementing a statewide stay at home order and strategic directions for North Carolina in response to increasing COVID-19 cases; and,

WHEREAS, the Dare County Control Group has determined Executive Order NO. 121 will mitigate the spread of COVID-19 in Dare County; and,

WHEREAS, the Dare County Control Group determined that the effective dates set by Executive Order NO. 121 shall be applied to all prohibitions and restrictions in Dare County including the entry of non-resident visitors and non-resident property owners.

NOW, THEREFORE, pursuant to the authority vested in me as the Chairman of the Dare County Board of Commissioners pursuant to Article 1A of Chapter 166A of the North Carolina General Statutes and Chapter 92 - Emergency Management of the Dare County Code of Ordinances, and with the consents of Mayors of the Towns of Duck, Southern Shores, Kitty Hawk, Kill Devil Hills, Nags Head and the Manteo Mayors designee, the following restrictions and prohibitions are hereby imposed in all of incorporated and unincorporated Dare County:

Section 1: All previous restrictions and prohibitions previously imposed remain in effect, including the entry of non-resident visitors, the entry of non-resident property owners, the prohibition on mass gatherings of 10 people, and the Stay Home, Stay Healthy order.

Section 2: The Governor’s stay at home order issued on March 27, 2020 shall be followed in Dare County. To the extent there are differences, whether more or less restrictive, the Governor’s order shall control.

Pursuant to N.C.G.S. 166A-19.31, a violation of any of the restrictions and prohibitions imposed under this declaration is punishable as a Class 2 misdemeanor in accordance with G.S. 14-288.20A.

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
Dare County Board of Commissioners and (c) to be distributed to others as necessary to ensure proper implementation of this declaration.

This declaration is effective immediately and shall remain in effect until April 30, 2020 at 11:59 p.m. unless modified, extended or rescinded.

DECLARED:

Chairman, Dare County Board of Commissioners

ATTEST:

Dare County Clerk to the Dare County Board of Commissioners
DECLARATION AMENDING, RESCINDING AND ADDING RESTRICTIONS AND PROHIBITIONS UNDER DARE COUNTY STATE OF EMERGENCY DECLARATION FOR COVID-19

WHEREAS, a State of Emergency was declared by the Governor of North Carolina on March 10, 2020; and,

WHEREAS, on March 16, 2020, Dare County declared a State of Emergency due to the unprecedented public health threat posed by COVID-19, a life threatening communicable disease that has been found in North Carolina; and,

WHEREAS, Dare County declared additional restrictions and prohibitions effective at 2 p.m. on March 17, 2020 prohibiting mass gatherings and prohibiting the entry of non-resident visitors; and,

WHEREAS, Dare County declared additional restrictions and prohibitions effective at 10 p.m. on March 20, 2020 prohibiting the entry of non-resident property owners; and,

WHEREAS, the Governor of North Carolina issued Executive Order NO. 121 on March 27, 2020 implementing a statewide stay at home order to mitigate the spread of COVID-19; and,

WHEREAS, Dare County declared additional restrictions and prohibitions effective at 5 p.m. on March 28, 2020 implementing Stay Home, Stay Healthy restrictions and prohibitions; and,

WHEREAS, the Dare County Control Group met and was apprised by the Dare County Public Health Director that based on the ability to complete testing for COVID-19 following NC DHHS guidelines, to perform contact tracing for COVID-19 cases, and with the increased capacity of the statewide medical system to treat COVID-19 patients, the number of individuals allowed to enter Dare County can be gradually increased with limited impact on the ability to protect public health from COVID-19.

NOW, THEREFORE, pursuant to the authority vested in me as the Chairman of the Dare County Board of Commissioners pursuant to Article 1A of Chapter 166A of the North Carolina General Statutes and Chapter 92 - Emergency Management of the Dare County Code of Ordinances, and with the consents of Mayors of the Towns of Duck, Southern Shores, Kitty Hawk, Kill Devil Hills, Nags Head and the Manteo Mayors designee, the following restrictions and prohibitions are hereby imposed in all of incorporated and unincorporated Dare County:

Section 1: The prohibition on the entry of non-resident property owners is rescinded beginning at 6 a.m. Monday, May 4, 2020 for non-resident property owners whose last name begins with A–I; beginning at 6 a.m. on Wednesday, May 6, 2020 for non-resident property owners whose last name begins with J – R; and beginning at 6 a.m. on Friday, May 8, 2020 for all non-resident property owners whose last name begins with S – Z.

Section 2: All individuals are now required to wear a mask or cloth face covering in public settings where other social distancing measures are difficult to maintain (e.g., grocery stores and pharmacies and other similar places).

Section 3: The Dare County, “Stay Home, Stay Healthy” order issued on at 5 p.m. on March 28, 2020 shall remain in effect until 11:59 pm on May 22, 2020 unless modified, extended or rescinded. The Governor’s stay at home order issued on March 27, 2020 shall be followed in Dare County until modified, extended or rescinded. To the extent there are differences, whether more or less restrictive, the Governor’s order shall control.
Section 4: All previous restrictions and prohibitions previously imposed remain in effect, including the entry of non-resident visitors and the prohibition on mass gatherings of 10 people.

Pursuant to N.C.G.S. 166A-19.31, a violation of any of the restrictions and prohibitions imposed under this declaration is punishable as a Class 2 misdemeanor in accordance with G.S. 14-288.20A.

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 Dare County Board of Commissioners and (c) to be distributed to others as necessary to ensure proper implementation of this declaration.

This declaration is effective immediately and shall remain in effect until 11:59 p.m. on May 22, 2020 unless modified, extended or rescinded.

DECLARED

[Signature]
Chairman, Dare County Board of Commissioners

ATTEST:

[Signature]
Clerk to the Dare County Board of Commissioners
DECLARATION RESCINDING RESTRICTIONS AND PROHIBITIONS UNDER DARE COUNTY STATE OF EMERGENCY DECLARATION FOR COVID-19

WHEREAS, a State of Emergency was declared by the Governor of North Carolina on March 10, 2020; and,

WHEREAS, on March 16, 2020, Dare County declared a State of Emergency due to the unprecedented public health threat posed by COVID-19, a life threatening communicable disease that has been found in North Carolina; and,

WHEREAS, Dare County declared additional restrictions and prohibitions effective at 2 p.m. on March 17, 2020 prohibiting mass gatherings and prohibiting the entry of non-resident visitors; and,

WHEREAS, Dare County declared additional restrictions and prohibitions effective at 10 p.m. on March 20, 2020 prohibiting the entry of non-resident property owners; and,

WHEREAS, the Governor of North Carolina issued Executive Order No. 121 on March 27, 2020 implementing a statewide stay at home order to mitigate the spread of COVID-19; and,

WHEREAS, Dare County declared additional restrictions and prohibitions effective at 5 p.m. on March 28, 2020 implementing Stay Home, Stay Healthy restrictions and prohibitions; and,

WHEREAS, Dare County amended, rescinded and added additional restrictions and prohibitions on April 21, 2020 allowing a phased reentry of non-resident property owners beginning on May 5, 2020 and requiring individuals to wear a mask or cloth face covering in public places where social distancing could not be maintained; and,

WHEREAS, the Governor of North Carolina issued Executive Order No. 138 on May 5, 2020 easing restrictions on travel, business operations, and mass gatherings moving the state into phase 1 at 5 p.m. on May 8, 2020; and,

WHEREAS, the Dare County Control Group met on May 6, 2020 and were provided overviews of the provisions of Executive Order No. 138 by the Dare County Public Health and Emergency Management Directors that indicated following the executive order would adequately address public health concerns and ensure public safety during phase 1 of easing certain COVID-19 restrictions.

NOW, THEREFORE, pursuant to the authority vested in me as the Chairman of the Dare County Board of Commissioners pursuant to Article 1A of Chapter 166A of the North Carolina General Statutes and Chapter 92 - Emergency Management of the Dare County Code of Ordinances, and with the consent of Mayors of the Towns of Duck, Southern Shores, Kitty Hawk, Kill Devil Hills, Nags Head and the Manteo Mayors designee, the previously imposed restrictions and prohibitions are hereby modified in all of incorporated and unincorporated Dare County:

Section 1: Effective at 12:01 a.m. on Saturday May 16, 2020 the prohibition on the entry of visitors to Dare County is rescinded.

Section 2: Effective immediately the Dare County, “Stay Home, Stay Healthy” order, the requirement to wear a mask or cloth face covering in public settings where other social distancing measures are difficult to maintain and the prohibition on mass gatherings are rescinded.

Section 3: All individuals and businesses in Dare County shall adhere to the provisions of all statewide Executive Orders including orders 121, 131, 135 and 138 until modified, extended or
rescinded.

Pursuant to N.C.G.S. 166A-19.31, a violation of any of the restrictions and prohibitions imposed under this declaration is punishable as a Class 2 misdemeanor in accordance with G.S. 14-288.20A.

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 Dare County Board of Commissioners and (c) to be distributed to others as necessary to ensure proper implementation of this declaration.

This declaration is effective immediately on this day, May 6, 2020 and shall remain in effect until modified, extended or rescinded.

DECLARED

[Signature]
Chairman, Dare County Board of Commissioners

ATTEST:

[Signature]
Clerk to the Dare County Board of Commissioners