PROCLAMATION DECLARING A STATE OF EMERGENCY IN THE CITY OF GOLDSBORO

WHEREAS, The tragic death of Mr. George Floyd in Minneapolis on May 25th of this year has sparked protests and mourning across our entire nation. Peaceful protests and demonstrations are a core First Amendment value of our Democracy and are both appropriate and rightly supported; and

WHEREAS, However, at times and in certain places, appropriate peaceful protests have been followed by civil unrest and accompanying violence. Our nation has witnessed physical violence against innocent bystanders and law enforcement officers, damage to property and looting, and buildings have been set on fire with arsonist intent. While the peaceful protests are proper, the violent civil unrest that has followed some of them is criminal and a grave danger to the public; and

WHEREAS, The protests that have occurred in our City of Goldsboro have largely been peaceful and proper. However, recent events have shown that some individuals have sought to incite criminal civil unrest and their actions now pose an imminent threat of severe damage, injury, or loss of life or property to the City of Goldsboro; and

WHEREAS, As Mayor of the City of Goldsboro, I am authorized to declare a state of emergency pursuant to Article 1A of Chapter 166A of the North Carolina General Statutes and Chapter 93, Sections 93.01, 93.02 and 93.03 of the Goldsboro Code of Ordinances; and pursuant to said Sections of the Code of Ordinances, I have determined that a State of Emergency (separate and distinct from any other States of Emergency that may be due to the COVID-19 pandemic) now exists in the City of Goldsboro.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Chuck Allen, Mayor of the City of Goldsboro, pursuant to Article 1A of Chapter 166A of the North Carolina General Statutes and Chapter 93, Sections 93.01, 93.02 and 93.03 of the Goldsboro Code of Ordinances, do hereby declare a State of Emergency in the City of Goldsboro. For the duration of such proclamation, all employees of the City of Goldsboro, and any emergency personnel or law enforcement personnel of any other jurisdiction assisting the City of Goldsboro, shall be designated and recognized as essential and emergency personnel and shall cooperate in the implementation of the City's emergency plan. During the State of Emergency, the citizens of the City of Goldsboro are urged to comply with emergency management advisories as issued from time to time.

The following prohibitions as authorized by Article 1A of Chapter 166A of the North Carolina General Statutes and Chapter 93 of the Goldsboro Code of Ordinances shall apply within the area of this State of Emergency until such time as the State of Emergency is declared to be at an end or that said prohibition(s) are specifically removed:

Curfew: The entire City, including its extraterritorial jurisdiction, is now under a curfew that shall apply to the hours of 9:00 pm to 6:00 am daily. No person shall be in

public, including streets and sidewalks, parks, places open to the public, or public areas of any nature during curfew hours.

Dangerous Weapons & Gasoline: Except for lawfully possessed firearms (handgun, rifle, or shotgun) and ammunition, all such are hereby prohibited.

This proclamation shall be effective immediately.

Proclaimed at 3:00 PM. on the 1st day of June, 2020.

By:

Chuck Allen, Mayor, City of Goldsboro

ATTEST:

Laura Getz, Deputy City Clerk, Goldsboro