

DECLARATION OF A STATE OF EMERGENCY

WHEREAS, the impact of COVID-19 (Coronavirus) is imminent; and

WHEREAS, as a result of the above-described public health emergency, I have determined that there is an imminent threat of, or existing conditions have caused or will cause, widespread or severe disruption throughout our community, and

WHEREAS, declaring a State of Emergency is necessary to maintain order and protect public health, safety, and welfare, and to secure property, and is in accordance with similar National, State and County declared State of Emergencies.

NOW, THEREFORE, pursuant to the authority vested in me as the Mayor of the Town of Walkertown under Article 1A of Chapter 166A of the North Carolina General Statutes and the Town of Walkertown Code of Ordinances:

Section 1. A State of Emergency is hereby declared within the jurisdiction of Town of Walkertown.

Section 2. The emergency area covered by this state of emergency shall be the Town of Walkertown corporate limits.

Section 3. I hereby order all law enforcement officers and Town 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.

Section 4. I hereby order this declaration: (a) to be filed with the Clerk to the Town of Walkertown Town Council and (b) to be distributed to others as necessary to ensure proper implementation of this declaration.

Section 5. This declaration shall take effect on March 13th, 2020 at 12:00 a.m., and shall remain in effect until modified or rescinded.

AMENDMENT

Section 6. Limiting the Operation of Entertainment Business Establishments

(a) Pursuant to his authority, the Mayor of The Town of Walkertown orders the following limitations on the operation of entertainment business establishments.

(b) Entertainment Business Establishments are defined as business establishments that provide non-essential services for personal or group entertainment such as but not limited to electronic gaming, arcades, pool halls and movie theaters.

(i) The Mayor has determined an imminent public health hazard exists due to the continued operation of these businesses and that entities subject to this section must cease all business operations open to the public immediately following the effective date and time.

(ii) This order does not affect grocery stores, pharmacies, convenience stores, gas stations, public institutions, day care centers and any other operation or business deemed essential.

(iii) This order shall be in place effective March 20th, 2020 at 5:00 p.m. and until all State of Emergency Declarations issued by the Town of Walkertown are rescinded.

DECLARED this the 13th day of March at 12:00 a.m.



AMENDED this the 20th day of March at 12:00 p.m.

Mayor Kenneth "Doc" Davis

ATTEST:

Walkertown Town Clerk Rusty