



**STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA
COUNTY OF PASQUOTANK**

DECLARATION OF LOCAL STATE OF EMERGENCY

Pursuant to the authority granted to North Carolina counties under the North Carolina Emergency Management Act (Article 1 of Chapter 166A of the North Carolina General Statutes), (GS 166A-19.3 (19) the following findings and proclamation is hereby made:

Findings:

A. While people in our county have peacefully expressed their concerns about the shooting death of Andrew Brown, Jr., our partners in law enforcement predict that outside influences and people more inclined toward vandalism and violence are likely to come to Pasquotank County and mix in with local residents.

B. County leaders have a legal and moral obligation to protect local residents, particularly those who seek to use legitimate public concerns over policing as a cover for vandalism and violence.

C. For the last several days, county and city law enforcement officers have worked overtime and received crucial backup from other police agencies in order to keep the peace and protect the community. The fatigue of these first responders grows just as the danger is increasing.

D. For the foregoing reasons, until it is clear that no further danger of an imminent threat of widespread or severe damage, injury, or loss of life or property exists, Pasquotank County will be in a State of Emergency.

NOW, therefore, in consultation with law enforcement authorities, the undersigned hereby proclaims a State of Emergency now exists in Pasquotank County. In accordance with this proclamation:

1. A State of Emergency is hereby declared within Pasquotank County, North Carolina. The Emergency Operations Plan adopted by Pasquotank County and all applicable

mutual aid compacts and agreements are to be placed in full force and effect and shall remain in effect until this Emergency Declaration is rescinded.

2. I hereby order all Pasquotank County law enforcement officers, Emergency Services personnel, Emergency Management and any other applicable Pasquotank County employees 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 Pasquotank County Emergency Operations Plan.

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

4. This declaration shall take effect on April 26, 2020, at 12:00 PM., and shall remain in effect until modified or rescinded.

PROCLAIMED the date and time set forth above.





Lloyd Griffin, Chairman of the Pasquotank County
Board of Commissioners



Lynn B. Scott, Clerk to the Board of Commissioners