PROCLAMATION OF A STATE OF EMERGENCY

WHEREAS, the coronavirus ("COVID-19"), also referred to as severe acute respiratory coronavirus 2 ("SARS-CoV-2"), is a new strain of coronavirus previously unidentified in humans that can spread from person to person;

WHEREAS, COVID-19 can result in serious illness or death;

WHEREAS, in response to the global spread of this virus and the disease it causes, the World Health Organization has declared COVID-19 a Public Health Emergency of International Concern; the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention ("CDC") has warned of the high public health threat posed by COVID-19 globally and in the United States and has deemed it necessary to prohibit or restrict travel to areas designated by the CDC; the United States Department of Health and Human Services Secretary has declared a public health emergency in the United States for COVID-19; and the North Carolina Department of Health and Human Services ("NCDHHS") confirmed multiple cases of COVID-19 in North Carolina as of March 10, 2020;

WHEREAS, Governor Roy Cooper, by Executive Order No. 1 16, declared a State of Emergency for the State of North Carolina on March 10, 2020 that addresses response and protective actions to prevent the spread of COVID-19; and

WHEREAS, Governor Roy Cooper, by Executive Order Nos. 1 1 7, 1 18,1 19, and 120 declared further restrictions under the State of Emergency for the State of North Carolina that addresses additional responses and protective measures to prevent the spread of COVID-19; and

WHEREAS, in consultation with health care professionals and based upon guidance from the CDC and NCDHHS, arrangements must be made immediately to take such actions as are deemed necessary and appropriate to ensure that COVID-19 remains controlled and that residents and visitors in the City of Shelby remain safe and secure.

NOW, THEREFORE, pursuant to the authority contained in Article IA of N.C.G.S. S Chapter 166A, Article 36A of N.C.G.S. and S Chapter 14 of the City Code of Ordinances, the Mayor of Shelby, hereby proclaims that a State of Emergency exists within the City of Shelby.

The Mayor further proclaims that the Emergency Management Plan adopted by the City of Shelby, and all applicable mutual assistance compacts and agreements, are in effect and shall remain in effect until this proclamation expires or is rescinded. All necessary personnel are hereby ordered to cooperate in the implementation of the provisions of the mutually adopted Cleveland County

Emergency Management Plan and all applicable mutual assistance compacts and agreements, and to furnish assistance thereunder.

The Mayor may in whole or in part rescind such a State of Emergency, after consultation with the City Manager and the designated Emergency Management Coordinator, imposed as soon as circumstances warrant or when directed to do so by the Shelby City Council.

The Mayor directs that copies of this Proclamation be disseminated to all City departments, mass media for publication and broadcast and that a copy of this Proclamation be posted in City Hall, on the City of Shelby website, and in public buildings as appropriate.

This Proclamation shall be effective as of 12:00 a.m. on March 26, 2020 and shall remain in effect until rescinded by the Shelby City Council or Mayor as provided above within the City Code of Ordinances.

O. Stanhope Anthony,

ATTEST:

Bernadette A. Parduski, NC-CMC, IIMC-MMC

City Clerk

