COUNTYWIDE DECLARATION OF A STATE OF EMERGENCY

COUNTY OF MOORE, PINEHURST, SOUTHERN PINES, ABERDEEN, ROBBINS, CARTHAGE, VASS, CAMERON, TAYLORTOWN, PINEBLUFF, FOXFIRE, AND WHISHPERING PINES, NORTH CAROLINA

MASSIVE POWER OUTAGES DUE TO CRIMINAL ACTIVITY

WHEREAS, pursuant to Moore County's State of Emergency Ordinance, Chapter 166A of the North Carolina General Statutes, Article 36A of Chapter 14 of the North Carolina General Statutes, and in accordance with the Moore County Emergency Operations Plan, the Chairperson of the Board of Commissioners is authorized and empowered to declare a State of Emergency exists within the County of Moore; and

WHEREAS, Massive Power Outages due to criminal activity (herein referred to as the "Massive Power Outage Event") has caused widespread and significant power outages within the County of Moore, North Carolina. It is anticipated to take up to one week for the power to be restored to residents, businesses, churches, schools, and government offices; and

WHEREAS, declaring a State of Emergency and imposing the restrictions and prohibitions ordered herein is necessary in order to protect the lives, safety, and property of people within the County, to maintain an acceptable level of public services within the County, and to facilitate activities of emergency and repair crews within the County.

NOW THEREFORE, pursuant to the authority vested in me as Chair of the Board of Commissioners of the County of Moore, North Carolina, I, Francis R. Quis, do declare as follows:

Section 1. A State of Emergency is hereby declared in the County of Moore, North Carolina, which includes every municipality within Moore County.

Section 2. The emergency area covered by this State of Emergency shall be the entirety of the County of Moore, including the jurisdictions of every municipality within the County as follows: Pinehurst, Southern Pines, Aberdeen, Robbins, Carthage, Vass, Cameron, Taylortown, Pinebluff, Foxfire, Whispering Pines, and all areas within the unincorporated Moore County. (Every municipality within Moore County provided consent to be included in this Emergency Declaration.)

Section 3. The following restrictions and prohibitions are imposed:

- 3.1 A curfew is hereby imposed for the entirety of Moore County, which includes every municipality within the County. The curfew is herein enacted from 9:00 pm to 5:00 am each night while this Emergency Declaration is in effect; and
- 3.2 Citizens are encouraged to conserve fuel.

- **Section 4.** I hereby order all County law enforcement officers, employees, and all 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 County of Moore's Emergency Operations Plan.
- **Section 5.** All civilians and emergency services workers are hereby ordered to comply with the Moore County Emergency Operations Plan.
- **Section 6.** County personnel are authorized to open shelters as necessary to provide for the safety of citizens who are without heat, power, food or water.
- **Section 7.** The County Manager/designee is authorized to make emergency purchases and contracts as necessary as it relates to the Massive Power Outage Event.
- **Section 8.** Municipalities are encouraged to coordinate response efforts with the Moore County Emergency Management.
- Section 9. I hereby order that this Declaration: (a) 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 Board of County Commissioners for the County of Moore; and (c) to be distributed to all the municipalities within the County, and to others as necessary to ensure proper implementation of this Declaration.

Section 10. This Declaration shall become EFFECTIVE on December 4, 2022, at 4:00 p.m. and shall automatically expire on December 9, 2022, at 5:00 p.m., unless otherwise extended.

Francis R. Quis, Chair

Moore County Board of Commissioners