



## **PROCLAMATION**

### **STATE OF EMERGENCY IN THE TOWN OF ELON**

WHEREAS, the National Hurricane Center is calling for 20 to 30 inches of rain in North Carolina, with some spots receiving up to 40 inches caused by Hurricane Florence; and

WHEREAS, the Town of Elon is anticipating heavy rain, winds, flooding conditions, falling trees, widespread power outages, and other safety impacts.

#### **Sec. 1. Legal Authority**

I, Mayor Jerry Tolley, hereby declare a State of Emergency within the corporate limits of the Town of Elon as defined by G.S. 166A-19.3 and Chapter 2, Section 2.55 of the Elon Code of Ordinances.

#### **Sec. 2. Restrictions**

As authorized by Sections 2.58 through 2.62 of the Elon Code of Ordinances, the following restrictions and limitations are imposed on residents and visitors within the Town of Elon:

- (a) prohibition of access to any area, street, highway or location within the Town as designated by the Chief of Police and his subordinates if that restriction or denial of access or use is reasonably necessary to promote efforts being made to overcome the emergency or to prevent further aggravation of the emergency with the exception of police officers, firefighters, doctors, nurses, emergency service personnel, and such other classes of persons as may be essential to the preservation of public order and immediately necessary to serve the safety, health, and welfare needs of the people within the Town;

#### **Sec. 3. Emergency Plan Implementation.**

I hereby order all town law enforcement officers and employees and all emergency management personnel subject to municipal control to cooperate in the enforcement of this Proclamation and the implementation of all emergency response plans.

#### **Sec. 4. Emergency Plan Compliance.**

All residents, visitors, town employees and emergency management personnel are ordered to comply with this proclamation and related emergency response plans.

In addition, compliance is urged with the following:

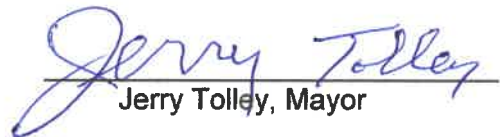
- (a) Citizens are encouraged to stay off all roads if reasonably possible and to limit all travel so as not to interfere with efforts of emergency and repair crews and because of traffic signals not operating at some intersections.
- (b) Citizens are encouraged to exercise caution utilizing alternative heating measures and check batteries in smoke alarms.
- (c) As part of the emergency efforts, town staff will be placing priority on clearing town streets and requests that citizens not place debris in the roadway. Debris removal will begin as soon as possible, if necessary. Additional information will be posted on [www.elonnc.com](http://www.elonnc.com) and via social media.

**Sec. 5. Proclamation.**

This proclamation shall be distributed to news media, posted on the town's website and distributed by any other digital means in order to inform the public of its contents and implementation.

This proclamation shall become effective immediately and shall remain in effect until rescinded.

Proclaimed this the 13<sup>th</sup> day of September, 2018, at 10:00 a.m.

  
Jerry Tolley, Mayor

Attest:

  
DiAnne Enoch, Town Clerk