



Morehead City North Carolina

Gerald A. Jones Jr., Mayor

TOWN OF MOREHEAD CITY, N.C. DECLARATION OF A STATE OF EMERGENCY TROPICAL STORM OPHELIA

WHEREAS, Tropical Storm Ophelia is predicted to impact the coastal regions of North Carolina including Morehead City causing significant impacts to public and private property and could seriously disrupt essential utility services and systems; and

WHEREAS, as a result of the above-described emergency, I have determined that there is an imminent threat of, or existing conditions have caused or will cause, widespread or severe damage, injury, or loss of life or property, and public safety authorities will be unable to maintain public order or afford adequate protection for lives or property; and

WHEREAS, declaring a State of Emergency and imposing the restrictions and prohibitions ordered herein is necessary to maintain order and protect public health, safety, and welfare, and to secure property.

NOW, THEREFORE, pursuant to the authority vested in me as the Mayor of the Town of Morehead City under Chapter 166A-19.3 and 166A-19.22 of the North Carolina General Statutes and Chapter 12, Emergency Management, 12-1 (c) of the Morehead City Code of Ordinances:

Section 1. A State of Emergency is hereby declared within the Town of Morehead City.

Section 2. The emergency area covered by this state of emergency includes all areas within the jurisdiction of the Town of Morehead City.

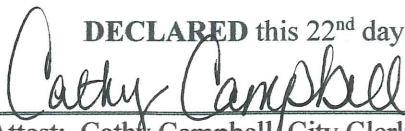
Section 3. There are no restrictions or prohibitions at this time, but such may be imposed as deemed necessary and appropriate.

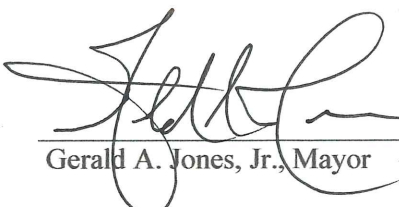
Section 4. I hereby order all Town of Morehead City law enforcement officers and employees and all other emergency management personnel subject to our control to cooperate in the enforcement and implementation of the provisions of this Declaration, all applicable local ordinances, state and federal laws, and the Carteret County Emergency Operations Plan.

Section 5. I hereby order this declaration: (a) to be posted on the City's website and Carteret County's WebEOC as required by N.C.G.S. 166A-19.31(d); (b) to be distributed to the news media and other organizations calculated to bring its contents to the attention of the general public; (c) to be filed with Clerk to the Town of Morehead City Council; and (d) to be distributed to others as necessary to ensure proper implementation of this declaration.

Section 6. This declaration shall take effect on September 22, 2023, at 9:00 p.m., and shall remain in effect until modified or rescinded.

DECLARED this 22nd day of September, 2023.


Attest: Cathy Campbell, City Clerk


Gerald A. Jones, Jr., Mayor

