

**PROCLAMATION OF STATE OF EMERGENCY BY THE  
MAYOR OF THE TOWN OF RICHLANDS**

SECTION I. I have determined that a State of Emergency as defined in Chapter 166A of the General Statutes exists in the Town of Richlands, North Carolina, due to the approach and proximity of Hurricane Florence on this date, September 11, 2018.

SECTION II. Pursuant to General Statute 166A-19.22, and Title 3, Chapter 9 of the Richlands Code of Ordinances, I therefore, proclaim the existence of a State of Emergency and Threatened Disaster in Richlands as of 11:30 AM on this 11<sup>th</sup> day of September, 2018.

SECTION III. I hereby order all Richlands officials and agencies to cooperate in the implementation of the provision of this Proclamation and the provisions of the Onslow County Emergency Operations Plan and the Richlands Emergency Management Plan.

SECTION IV. I HEREBY DELEGATE TO Gregg Whitehead, Town Administrator, or his designee, the authority granted by the Richlands Emergency Management Plan for the purpose of implementing the said Emergency Management Plan, and to take such further action as may be necessary to promote and secure the safety and protection of the populace of Richlands, North Carolina.

SECTION V. Further, Gregg Whitehead, Town Administrator, is designated as Chief Coordinating Officer for Richlands for the duration of this Proclamation.

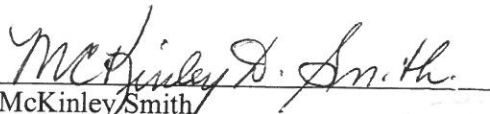
SECTION VI. Further, I waive the Richlands purchasing requirements in preparation and response concerning Hurricane Florence.


SECTION VII. I hereby order this proclamation to be distributed to the news media and other organizations calculated to bring its contents to the attention of the general public, unless the circumstances of the State of Emergency or Disaster prevent or impede, to be promptly filed with the Town Clerk and hereby posted in the Richlands Town Hall.

SECTION VIII. Pursuant to Section 93.02 of the Richlands Code of Ordinances, I hereby reserve the authority to impose a curfew by separate proclamation.

SECTION IX. This proclamation shall become effective immediately and shall continue until it is rescinded in writing.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I HAVE SET MY HAND AND SIGNED THIS PROCLAMATION on this the 11<sup>th</sup> day of September 2018.

  
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McKinley Smith  
Mayor, Town of Richlands

  
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Doreen Putney  
Town Clerk