

**RESOLUTION RATIFYING THE MAYOR'S DECLARATION OF A STATE OF
EMERGENCY WITHIN THE CORPORATE LIMITS OF
THE CITY OF WINSTON-SALEM**

WHEREAS, Mayor J. Allen Joines declared a State of Emergency within the corporate limits of the City of Winston-Salem on Wednesday, September 12th at 5:00 pm and effective Thursday, September 13th at 8:00 am until modified or rescinded due to the fact that Hurricane Florence is expected to make landfall in eastern North Carolina and inflict damage across the state and cause severe flooding and wind damage in the city of Winston-Salem beginning on or about Thursday, September 13th; and

WHEREAS, Mayor J. Allen Joines determined that there is an imminent threat of or existing conditions have caused or will cause widespread or severe damage, injury, 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, Mayor J. Allen Joines determined that declaring a State of Emergency and imposing the restrictions and prohibitions ordered therein was necessary to maintain order and protect public health, safety, and welfare, and to secure property; and

WHEREAS, Mayor J. Allen Joines declared a State of Emergency pursuant to the authority vested in the Mayor under Article 1A of Chapter 166A of the North Carolina General Statutes and Chapter 38, Section 38-2 of the City of Winston-Salem Code of Ordinances; and

WHEREAS, the Winston-Salem City Council properly convened a meeting within 24 hours of said declaration as required by Chapter 38, Section 38-2 of the City of Winston-Salem Code of Ordinances.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, by the Winston-Salem City Council, based upon the foregoing, that the action taken by Mayor J. Allen Joines declaring a State of Emergency is hereby ratified.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, by the Winston-Salem City Council that the Mayor is hereby authorized to modify, where warranted, the declaration of a State of Emergency without the necessity of a subsequent meeting of the Winston-Salem City Council, provided the Mayor within a reasonable time after said modification notifies the Winston-Salem City Council of the modification and the details of the same.

FINALLY, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Winston-Salem City Council that the Mayor is hereby authorized to terminate the State of Emergency as soon as circumstances warrant such without the necessity of a subsequent meeting of the Winston-Salem City Council, provided the Mayor within a reasonable time after said termination notifies the Winston-Salem City Council of said termination and the basis for such.

This Resolution shall become effective upon adoption.