## STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA COUNTY OF TRANSYLVANIA

## DECLARATION OF A LOCAL STATE OF EMERGENCY FOR TRANSYLVANIA COUNTY

WHEREAS, on March 25, 2025, information from the North Carolina Forest Service and the South Carolina Forest Service along with other sources have predicted that the potential exist for wildfires in South Carolina to impact the county; and

WHEREAS, the National Weather Service has issued a Red Flag Warning for our area; and

WHEREAS, wildfire has the potential to cause injury and/or loss of life and/or property along with damage to infrastructure, unsafe road conditions; and that such conditions are imminent to exist in Transylvania County; and

WHEREAS, the current weather conditions are predicted to exist for an extended period of time; and

Now, Therefore, pursuant to the authority granted to North Carolina counties under the North Carolina Emergency Management Act (Article 1 of Chapter 166A of the North Carolina General Statutes), and also pursuant to the authority granted by Chapter 6 of the local Transylvania County Ordinances, the following proclamation is hereby made:

- A State of Emergency is hereby declared within the geographical area of Transylvania County excluding the City of Brevard limits and the Town of Rosman limits
- The emergency area covered by this declaration shall be:
   The geographic area of Transylvania County exclusive of The City of Brevard and the Town of Rosman.
- The Emergency Operations Plan adopted by Transylvania County and all applicable
  mutual aid compacts and agreements are to be placed in full force and effect and
  shall remain in effect until this Emergency Declaration is rescinded.

- 4. Response measures may be placed in effect immediately to implement plans for the prevention of, preparation for, response to and recovery from all emergency situations that may result from the impacts of the approaching wildfires. These Response Measures will be coordinated with federal, state and local agencies for the orderly protection of persons and property.
- 5. I hereby order all Transylvania County Law Enforcement Officers, Emergency Services Personnel, Department of Public Health Personnel and any other applicable Transylvania County Employees subject to our control to cooperate in the enforcement and implementation of the provisions of this Declaration, all applicable federal, state and local laws/ordinances and the Transylvania County Emergency Operations Plan.
- 6. I hereby order this declaration to be distributed to the news media and other organizations calculated to bring its contents to the attention of the general public; to be filed with the Clerk to the Transylvania County Board of Commissioners; and to be distributed to others as necessary to ensure proper implementation of this declaration.

	This declaration shall take effect on	March 25, 2021	, at 5'. ophours
	and shall remain in effect until modified or rescinded.		

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DECLARED this the Mod 25 Dar 5 hours.

Jason Chappell, Chairman of the

Transylvania County Board of Commissioners

Attest:

Trisha Hogan, Clerk to the Board of Commissioners