

**STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA
COUNTY OF BUNCOMBE**

**DECLARATION OF A
LOCAL STATE OF EMERGENCY**

The following declaration is issued by Board of Commissioners of
Buncombe County:

WHEREAS, as a result of a severe snowstorm and blizzard beginning on
Friday December 18, 2009, Buncombe County suffered widespread and severe
property damage from the large amount of snow which meets the definition of
disaster as set forth in N.C.G.S. §166A-4; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to the authority contained in Article 1 of N.C.G.S.
Chapter 166A, and Article 36A Chapter 14, the Board of Commissioners, do
hereby declare that a Local State of Emergency exists within Buncombe County
starting at 5:00 p.m., Friday December 18, 2009;

NOW, THEREFORE, pursuant to the authority contained in Article 1 of the
N.C.G.S. Chapter 166A, and Article 36A of N.C.G.S. Chapter 14, the Board of
Commissioners, do hereby declare that a Local State of Emergency exists within
the territorial jurisdiction of Buncombe County.

We further declare that the Emergency Management Plan adopted by
Buncombe County, and all applicable mutual assistance compacts and
agreements are in effect and shall remain in effect until this Declaration expires
or is rescinded. All emergency management personnel are hereby ordered to
cooperate in the implementations of the provisions of the County's Emergency

Management Plan and all applicable mutual assistance compacts and agreement, and to furnish assistance thereunder.

We direct that copies of this Declaration be disseminated to the mass communications media for publication and broadcast, and that a copy of this Declaration be posted in the County Courthouse and other public buildings as appropriate.

This declaration shall be effective upon signature and shall apply retroactive from Friday, December 18, 2009 at 5:00 p.m. and said Declaration shall terminate on Tuesday December 22, 2009 at 5:00 p.m.

Declared this the _____ day of January 2010, at _____.

David Gantt, Chairman

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

Michael Frue, County Attorney

