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JOINT STATEMENT FROM GASTON COUNTY MUNICIPALITIES IN RESPONSE TO GASTON COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS' ORDER TO RE-OPEN BUSINESSES

The Mayors of 12 municipalities in Gaston County would like to address the perception that anything has changed with regard to the types of businesses that may be open tomorrow following the press conference that was held at Gaston County this morning. We share the sentiments of the Gaston County Board of Commissioners that we are experiencing unprecedented times in our county, and that many people and businesses have been affected by the COVID-19 pandemic.

We want to emphasize that all businesses and residents of our cities and Gaston County are required to comply with the Orders issued by Governor Roy Cooper until those orders expire on Friday, May 8, 2020. We will therefore follow the Governor's Orders, and we encourage all businesses and citizens to do the same so that we can continue to slow the spread of the coronavirus. We want to thank our citizens and businesses for continuing to follow these health, safety, and social distancing requirements and practices until the current expiration date of May 8th.

We look forward to our businesses opening in the near future and ask that you remain patient as we all work through this together.



City of Gastonia
Mayor Walker E. Reid



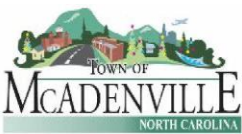
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