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*** FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE ***

ASHEBORO, NC – According to the National Weather Service –Weather Forecast Office in Raleigh - Hurricane Florence is expected to bring 25-30 mph sustained winds and 30-45 mph wind gusts to Randolph County beginning Thursday night through the weekend. Total rainfall could reach 4-7 inches. The heaviest rainfall is expected to occur Saturday and Sunday, and could cause localized flash flooding.

At this time, we are not anticipating life-threatening conditions, but we do expect scattered downed trees and power outages.

A safety shelter located at the First Baptist Church of Asheboro (133 N. Church St.), across from Asheboro City Hall, will open at 8:00 pm Thursday night for any resident who does not feel comfortable sheltering at home. This shelter is centrally located in Randolph County.

If you decide to come to the shelter, please bring the following items with you:

- Identification
- Prescription medication(s) that you must take
- Personal hygiene items
- Pillow and blanket
- Cards, games, or small entertainment devices
- Any special food and/or snacks that you may want or need

At this time, daily meals will not be provided unless local food establishments are closed due to power outages.

Although pets will not be allowed to stay inside the shelter with you, we can accommodate your dog or cat in a safe, nearby location. You must bring a pet crate, pet food, collar, leash, and proof of vaccine for the pet. You will be responsible for the walking and feeding of your pet.

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