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NEWS RELEASE

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CAROLINA BEACH IMPLEMENTS PROHIBITIONS FOR SHORT TERM RENTALS

Carolina Beach, NC – The Carolina Beach Mayor, LeAnn Pierce, declared today the discontinue all short-term rental operations within the Town of Carolina Beach.

All rental agencies and property owners that rent properties within the Town of Carolina Beach are instructed to have all current renters, whom have a rental term less of than 90 days, to vacate the premises by 2:00 p.m. on Friday, March 27, 2020. Furthermore, effective immediately, there will be no new rental occupancies with rental terms of less than 90 days allowed within the Town of Carolina Beach, until April 22, 2020 or the order has been rescinded. A copy of Proclamation 20-2217 is attached to this notice.

The Town encourages all individuals and business owners to adhere to CDC, Federal and State, and County guidelines regarding COVID-19, and all persons are strongly encouraged to stay close to home and follow social distancing protocols.

If you have questions, please contact the Town Manager's office at 910-458-2994.

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AMENDING DECLARATION OF STATE OF EMERGENCY

WHEREAS, the COVID-19 pandemic poses an imminent threat and existing conditions have caused or could likely cause widespread or severe illness, or loss of life to our citizens.

WHEREAS, the Governor of the State of North Carolina declared a State of Emergency for the State of North Carolina pursuant to NCGS 166A-19.3 as a result of the public health emergency posed by COVID-19; and

WHEREAS, New Hanover County declared a State of Emergency on March 20th and imposed restrictions; and

WHEREAS, Chapters 160A, 166A and 14 of the North Carolina General Statutes, as well as Chapter 2, Article VI of the Town's Code of Ordinances, authorize the Town of Carolina Beach to proclaim the existence of a State of Emergency; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to Article VI of the Town's Code of Ordinances, the Mayor is authorized to proclaim the existence of a State of Emergency and to declare orders for evacuation, curfew and various other restrictions and prohibitions; and

WHEREAS, the Town of Carolina Beach declared a State of Emergency on March 20th and imposed certain restrictions; and

WHEREAS, the spread of COVID-19 is a public health incident that poses an imminent threat to the life, safety, health and welfare of the residents, visitors and the public within the Town of Carolina Beach.

NOW, THEREFORE, pursuant to the authority vested in the Mayor by Chapters 160A, 166A and 14 of the North Carolina General Statutes, as well as Article VI of the Town's Code of Ordinances, I LeAnn Pierce, Mayor of the Town of Carolina Beach, do amend the Declaration of a State of Emergency issued March 20, 2020 to include these additional prohibitions and restrictions:

- 1) Discontinuance of All Short-term Rental Operations: All rental agencies and property owners that rent properties within the Town of Carolina Beach are instructed to have all current renters, whom have a rental term less of than 90 days, to vacate the premises by 2:00 p.m. on Friday, March 27, 2020. Furthermore, effective immediately there will be no new rental occupancies with rental terms of less than 90 days allowed within the Town of Carolina Beach, until April 22nd

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or until this order has been rescinded. Individuals renting within the Town for purposes directly related to the COVID-19 pandemic or related to providing essential services are exempted from this order.

- 2) Town operations: The Town Manager or his designee is hereby authorized to take all lawful actions necessary to manage the Town during this State of Emergency, including procuring goods and services necessary to manage this emergency.
- 3) All persons are strongly encouraged to stay close to home and follow social distancing protocols.
- 4) The Town encourages all individuals and business owners to adhere to CDC, Federal and State, and County guidelines regarding COVID-19.

The restrictions, and all restrictions imposed Friday, March 20th are adopted and shall remain in force until rescinded or amended.

Declared this 24th day of March, 2020.



LeAnn Pierce, Mayor



Attest: Kimberlee Ward, Town Clerk

