Candidate Statement for BHA Board

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My husband, Rex, and I first visited Bald Head Island in 1997 and fell in love with the island's unique character. We purchased a lot and built our home in 2003, and we now live here full time. Our sons, Collin and Harrison, enjoyed island life every summer of their childhood; their continued love for the island means we're fortunate to have them return often.

Over the years I've watched our community evolve and have looked for ways to contribute where I can be most helpful. I currently serve as President of the Bald Head Association and bring experience from three HOA boards in Wake County, North Carolina, including service at one HOA from its inception and serving on the board at two others. I believe this background has prepared me well for this position.

Service to the island is important to me. I currently serve as BHA President and Board Liaison to ARC Committee A. I also volunteer with Chapel Meal Outreach, serve as an emergency Site Team Leader with the Public Safety Auxiliary, sit on the BHIC Golf Committee, and co-chair both the BHI Christmas Cart Parade and the Pirate Invasion.

As an island homeowner and as your neighbor, we share many of the concerns and have the same interests. I believe that open, clear communication between the BHA and our community is essential, and I have strived since the day I was elected to improve our communications. Under my leadership and along with the help of my fellow Board Members, the ARC process is more streamlined and less cumbersome. For the first time in years, our committees are fully staffed with volunteers. We have a strong, capable staff who are benefiting from new software, updated phone systems, and new training and leadership opportunities.

Our guiding philosophy is Member Service — it's what we strive for every day. We have introduced our new newsletter, "Salt & Oaks Under the Canopy." The Compass delivers information members need in a new, crisp format. The BHA is in strong fiscal shape - member dues are current, and we have received a clean, healthy audit report.

If re-elected, I will work to maintain our positive momentum and continue serving our community with dedication and transparency. I appreciate your support.