STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA
COUNTY OF WAKE **STANDARD SERVICES AGREEMENT**

THIS STANDARD SERVICES AGREEMENT (hereinafter "Agreement") is entered into this between, Pyro Shows East Coast, Inc, a Tennessee corporation with its principal business offices located at 115 N. First St. Lafollette, TN 37766, with a mailing address at P.O. Box 1776, LaFollette, TN 37766 (the "Contractor"), and the Town of Apex, a municipal corporation of the State of North Carolina, (the "Town"). Town and Contractor may collectively be referred to as "Parties" hereinafter.

WITNESSETH:

The Town and the Contractor, for the consideration stated herein, agree as follows:

1. **SCOPE OF SERVICES.**

The Contractor agrees to perform for the Town the following services:

To furnish a fireworks display, hereinafter referred to as "Show", pursuant to the attached proposal titled "Custom Fireworks Proposal Town of Apex July 3, 2027." The Show will be given on July 3, 2027 and no rain date has been selected.

II. TARIFF PROVISION: Because our pyrotechnics are products which are primarily imported into the U.S., Contractor is legally responsible for payment of any applicable tariffs (a border tax imposed on the buyer) for pyrotechnics. From the date of execution of the contract herein, in the event of additional cost due to increased price of product as imposed by manufacturer and/or tariffs levied for imported products. Available options are as follows: Town may opt to increase their budget to absorb tariff - OR - Town may maintain the current budget of their show with a corresponding reduction in the amount of product included in their show. Should Town elect to defer, modify, or cancel Show, Town shall notify Contractor no less than ninety (90) days prior to Show date to cancel or reduce the size of show.

III. CANCELLATION: Contractor shall determine what weather conditions prohibit Contractor from proceeding with the Show; in which case, Contractor agrees to present the Show on the following day or previously agreed upon postponement date. In addition to contracted Show cost, Town shall remit the actual additional expenses Contractor shall incur in presenting the show on subsequent occasion to include labor, lodging, per diem, etc.; in no event shall these additional expenses be less than ten percent (10%) of the contracted price of the Show. In the event the Show must be RESCHEDULED to a mutually agreed upon date other that the previously agreed upon rain date, in addition to contracted Show cost, Town shall remit the actual additional expenses Contractor shall incur in presenting the Show on subsequent occasion to include labor, lodging, per diem etc.; in no event shall these expenses be less than thirty percent (30%) of the contracted price of the Show. Should Town elect to CANCEL the Show for any reason, Town must provide Contractor with thirty (30) days' written notice by certified mail, return receipt, to Contractor's address as set

forth above. Town agrees that Contractor shall incur substantial expense in preparation for the Show and, accordingly, agrees to pay Contractor fifty (50%) of the total contract price for the show as liquidated damages for cancellation due to the fault of the Town.

IV. SECURITY AREA: Town agrees to furnish sufficient space for Contractor to properly conduct the Show as determined by NFPA 1123-2014 (hereinafter "Security Area"). Town agrees to provide adequate security protection to preclude persons unauthorized by Contractor from entering the Security Area. For the purposes of the Agreement, "Unauthorized Persons" shall mean anyone other than the employee(s) of Contractor or persons specifically designated in writing by the sponsor or the Authority Having Jurisdiction (AHJ), and submitted and approved, to Contractor prior to the event. Any expenses for security or stand-by fire protection shall be the responsibility of the Town.

V. SITE CLEANUP: Contractor shall be responsible for basic cleanup of the launch area to include policing of the fallout zone for any unexploded ordnance and removal of all large paper debris, wood, wire, foil, racks, mortars and firing equipment used in the setup for the show. Town shall be responsible for cleanup of debris located in and around the fallout zone.

In the event of a conflict between the terms of the attached Scope of Services and this Agreement, this Agreement shall control.

2. **SPECIFICATIONS**.

Contractor shall provide services in accordance with all governing agency regulations and shall be held to the same standard and shall exercise the same degree of care, skill and judgment in the performance of services for Town as is ordinarily provided by a similar professional under the same or similar circumstances at the time in North Carolina. Upon request by the Town, Contractor will provide plans and specifications prior to engaging in any services under this Agreement. Contractor hereby acknowledges that it is fully licensed to perform the work contemplated by this Agreement. In the event of a conflict between any provided plans and specifications and this Agreement, this Agreement shall control.

3. **TIME OF COMMENCEMENT AND COMPLETION.**

Contractor shall commence the work required in this Agreement no more than **260** days after the date of execution of this Agreement, and the Contractor shall complete entire work no later than **July 3rd, 2027** . If a Scope of Services is provided Contractor shall also comply with all timelines and deadlines documented in the Scope of Services. If Contractor has not satisfactorily commenced or completed the work within the times specified, the Town may declare such delay a material breach of contract and may pursue all available legal and equitable remedies. Any changes to the schedule(s) provided in the Agreement must be agreed to in writing by the Town and the Contractor.

4. **CONSIDERATION AND PAYMENT OF SERVICES.**

In consideration of the above services, the Town will pay the Contractor **the total sum of $28,000.00** to be paid according to the following schedule: **30 days** from receipt of invoice. The Town shall pay $14,000.00 as a 50% deposit within 30 days of the execution of this Agreement. A second payment of $14,000.00 shall be made within 30 days of receipt of invoice following completion of the fireworks display on July 3, 2027. Town has the right to require the Contractor to produce for inspection all of Contractor's records and charges to verify the accuracy of all invoices. Town shall pay Contractor's invoices at times set forth above unless a bona fide dispute exists between Town and Contractor concerning the accuracy of said invoice or the services covered thereby.

5. INDEMNIFICATION.

To the extent permitted by law, the Contractor agrees to defend, pay on behalf of, indemnify, and hold-harmless the Town of Apex, its elected and appointed officials, employees, agents, and volunteers against any and all claims, demands, suits or losses, including all costs connected therewith, for any damages which may be asserted, claimed or recovered against or from the Town of Apex, its elected or appointed officials, employees, agents, and volunteers by reason of personal injury, including bodily injury or death and/or property damage, including loss of use thereof resulting from the negligence of the Contractor.

6. APPLICABILITY OF LAWS AND REGULATIONS.

The Contractor shall adhere to all laws, ordinances, and regulations of the United States, the State of North Carolina, the County of Wake, and the Town of Apex in the performance of the services outlined in this Agreement and any attached specifications.

This Agreement shall be governed by the laws of the State of North Carolina. Any and all suits or actions to enforce, interpret or seek damages with respect to any provision of, or the performance or nonperformance of, this Agreement shall be brought in the General Court of Justice of North Carolina sitting in Wake County, North Carolina, or the United States District Court sitting in Wake County, North Carolina, and it is agreed by the Parties that no other court shall have jurisdiction or venue with respect to such suits or actions.

7. E-VERIFY COMPLIANCE.

The Contractor shall comply with the requirements of Article 2 of Chapter 64 of the North Carolina General Statutes (E-Verify). Contractor shall require all of the Contractor's subcontractors to comply with the requirements of Article 2 of Chapter 64 of the North Carolina General Statutes (E-Verify).

8. ANTI-HUMAN TRAFFICKING.

The Contractor warrants and agrees that no labor supplied by the Contractor or the Contractor's subcontractors in the performance of this Agreement shall be obtained by means of deception, coercion, intimidation or force, or otherwise in violation of North Carolina law, specifically Article 10A, Subchapter 3

of Chapter 14 of the North Carolina General Statutes, Human Trafficking.

9. QUALITY AND WORKMANSHIP.

All work shall be performed to the satisfaction of the Town. The work shall not be considered complete nor applicable payments rendered until the Town is satisfied with the services provided.

10. INSURANCE.

The Contractor shall maintain valid general liability insurance in the minimum amount of $1,000,000.00, commercial automobile liability insurance in the minimum amount of $2,000,000.00, and provide certificates of such insurance naming the Town of Apex as an additional insured by endorsement to the policies. If the policy has a blanket additional insured provision, the contractor's insurance shall be primary and non-contributory to other insurance. Additionally, the contractor shall maintain and show proof of workers' compensation insurance within the statutory limits, and employer's liability insurance in the minimum amount of $1,000,000.00. The Contractor shall provide notice of cancellation, non-renewal or material change in coverage to the Town of Apex within 10 days of their receipt of notice from the insurance company. All required certificates of insurance, endorsements, and blanket additional insured policy provisions are attached and considered part of this document. Notwithstanding the foregoing, neither the requirement of Contractor to have sufficient insurance nor the requirement that Town is named as an additional insured, shall constitute waiver of the Town's governmental immunity in any respect, under North Carolina law.

11. PRE-PROJECT SAFETY REVIEW MEETING.

When specified by the Safety and Risk Manager, the Contractor shall attend a pre-project safety review meeting with the contacting Department Head and Supervisors and Safety and Risk Manager prior to the start of work.

12. DEFAULT.

In the event of substantial failure by Contractor to perform in accordance with the terms of this Agreement, Town shall have the right to terminate Contractor upon seven (7) days written notice in which event Contractor shall have neither the obligation nor the right to perform further services under this Agreement.

13. TERMINATION FOR CONVENIENCE.

Town shall have the right to terminate this Agreement for the Town's convenience upon thirty (30) days written notice to Contractor. Contractor shall terminate performance of services on a schedule acceptable to the Town. In the event of termination for convenience, the Town shall pay Contractor for all services satisfactorily performed.

14. NOTICE.

Any formal notice, demand, or request required by or made in connection with this Agreement shall be deemed properly made if delivered in writing or deposited in the United States mail, postage prepaid, to the address specified below.

TO CONTRACTOR:
Jesse Salveson
115 N. 1st St.
LaFollette TN 37766
Jesse@pyroshows.com

TO TOWN: Town of Apex
Attn: Lisa Raschke
Department: Administration
PO Box 250
Apex, NC 27502
lisa.raschke@apexnc.org
Invoices: Apex.Invoices@apexnc.org

15. DELAY BEYOND THE CONTROL OF THE PARTIES.

Neither Contractor nor Town, having taken commercially reasonable precautions, shall be in default of the provisions of this Agreement for delays in performance due to forces beyond the control of the parties. "Forces beyond the control of the parties" shall mean, but is not limited to, delay caused by natural disaster, fire, flood, earthquakes, storms, lightning, epidemic, pandemic, war, riot, civil disobedience, or other event reasonably outside of the parties' control.

16. NONWAIVER FOR BREACH.

No breach or non-performance of any term of this Agreement shall be deemed to be waived by either party unless said breach or non-performance is waived in writing and signed by the parties. No waiver of any breach or non-performance under this Agreement shall be deemed to constitute a waiver of any subsequent breach or non-performance and for any such breach or non-performance each party shall be relegated to such remedies as provided by law.

17. CONSTRUCTION.

Should any portion of this Agreement require judicial interpretation, it is agreed that the Court or Tribunal construing the same shall not apply a presumption that the terms hereof shall be more strictly construed against any one party by reason of the rule of construction that a document is to be more strictly construed against the party who prepared the documents.

18. NO REPRESENTATIONS.

The parties hereby warrant that no representations about the nature or extent of any claims, demands, damages, or rights that they have, or may have, against one another have been made to them, or to anyone acting on their behalf, to induce them to execute this Agreement, and they rely on no such representations; that they have fully read and understood this Agreement before signing their names; and that they act

voluntarily and with full advice of counsel.

19. SEVERABILITY.

In the event for any reason that any provision or portion of this Agreement shall be found to be void or invalid, then such provision or portion shall be deemed to be severable from the remaining provisions or portions of this Agreement, and it shall not affect the validity of the remaining portions, which portions shall be given full effect as if the void or invalid provision or portion had not been included herein.

20. COUNTERPARTS.

This Agreement may be executed in two or more counterparts, each of which shall be deemed an original, and all of which together shall constitute one instrument.

21. MODIFICATION.

This Agreement contains the full understanding of the parties. Any modifications or addendums to this Agreement must be in writing and executed with the same formality as this Agreement.

22. BINDING EFFECT.

The terms of this Agreement shall be binding upon the parties' heirs, successors, and assigns.

23. ASSIGNMENT.

Contractor shall not assign, sublet, or transfer any rights under or interest in (including, but without limitation, monies that may become due or monies that are due) this Agreement without the written consent of the Town. Nothing contained in this paragraph shall prevent Contractor from employing such independent consultants, associates, and sub-contractors as it may deem appropriate to assist Contractor in the performance of services rendered.

24. INDEPENDENT CONTRACTOR.

Contractor is an independent contractor and shall undertake performance of the services pursuant to the terms of this Agreement as an independent contractor. Contractor shall be wholly responsible for the methods, means and techniques of performance.

25. NON-APPROPRIATION.

Notwithstanding any other provisions of this Agreement, the parties agree that payments due hereunder from the Town are from appropriations and monies from the Town Council and any other governmental entities. In the event sufficient appropriations or monies are not made available to the Town to pay the terms of this Agreement for any fiscal year, this Agreement shall terminate immediately without further obligation of the Town.

26. IRAN DIVESTMENT ACT CERTIFICATION.

N.C.G.S. 147-86.60 prohibits the State of North Carolina, a North Carolina local government, or any other political subdivision of the State of North Carolina from contracting with any entity that is listed on the Final Divestment List created by the North Carolina State Treasurer pursuant to N.C.G.S. 147-86.58. N.C.G.S. 147-86.59 further requires that contractors with the State, a North Carolina local government, or any other political subdivision of the State of North Carolina must not utilize any subcontractor found on the State Treasurer's Final Divestment List. As of the date of execution of this Agreement the Contractor hereby certifies that the Contractor is not listed on the Final Divestment List created by the North Carolina State Treasurer and that the Contractor will not utilize any subcontractors found on the Final Divestment List.

27. NONDISCRIMINATION.

Pursuant to Section 3-2 of the Town of Apex Code of Ordinances, Contractor hereby warrants and agrees that Contractor will not discriminate against a protected class in employment, subcontracting practices, or the solicitation or hiring of vendors, suppliers, or commercial customers in connection with this Agreement. For the purposes of this Agreement "protected class" includes age, race, religious belief or non-belief, ethnicity, color, national origin, creed, sex, sexual orientation, gender identity, marital status, natural hair style, genetic information, pregnancy, familial status, disability, veteran or military status, or disabled veteran status.

28. ELECTRONIC SIGNATURE.

Pursuant to Article 40 of Chapter 66 of the North Carolina General Statutes (the Uniform Electronic Transactions Act) this Agreement and all documents related hereto containing an electronic or digitized signature are legally binding in the same manner as are hard copy documents executed by hand signature. The Parties hereby consent to use electronic or digitized signatures in accordance with the Town's Electronic Signature Policy and intend to be bound by the Agreement and any related documents. If electronic signatures are used the Agreement shall be delivered in an electronic record capable of retention by the recipient at the time of receipt.

In witness thereof, the contracting parties, by their authorized agents, affix their signatures and seals this .

Pyro Shows East Coast, Inc X [empty member name] Email: jesse@pyroshows.com Timestamp: [empty signing timestamp]	**Town of Apex** X Demetria.john@apexnc.org , Assistant Town Manager Email: demetria.john@apexnc.org Timestamp: [empty signing timestamp]
	This instrument has been preaudited in the manner required by the Local Government Budget and Fiscal Control Act. X [empty member name] , Finance Director Email: jon.griffin@apexnc.org Timestamp: [empty signing timestamp]