## Resolution



## **RESOLUTION NO. 24-2307**

## RESOLUTION TO ENJOIN WITH NEW HANOVER COUNTY TO ENFORCE AND REMOVE ABANDONED VESSELS IN WATERWAYS

WHEREAS, on June 17, 2024, the New Hanover County Board of Commissioners approved an amendment to Chapter 23 of the New Hanover County Code of Ordinances by the addition of Article X Abandoned Maritime Vessel(s), to regulate, enforce and dispose of abandoned vessels as authorized by North Carolina General Statute 153A-132; and

WHEREAS, the ordinance authorizes the New Hanover County Sheriff's Office to investigate, seek remediation, enforce and, if necessary, dispose of abandoned vessels in waterways in unincorporated New Hanover County; and

WHEREAS, the Town of Carolina Beach has also identified issues with abandoned vessels on waterways within Carolina Beach Town limits; and

**WHEREAS,** authorizing the New Hanover County Sheriff's Office to investigate, remediate, enforce and dispose of abandoned vessels in Carolina Beach would be beneficial to maintaining safety in Carolina Beach's waterways; and

**WHEREAS,** under North Carolina General Statute 153A-122 Carolina Beach may adopt a resolution permitting county ordinances to be applicable within Carolina Beach corporate limits;

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED,** the Town of Carolina Beach as authorized by North Carolina General Statute 153A-122, permits Chapter 23, Article X Abandoned Maritime Vessel(s), of the New Hanover County Code of Ordinances and any future amendments to that article, to be applicable within Carolina Beach corporate limits to be enforced by the New Hanover County Sheriff's Office.

**ADOPTED,** this 23<sup>rd</sup> day of July 2024.

TOWN OF CAROLINA BEACH

Albert L. Barbee, Mayor

ATTEST:

Kimberlee Ward, Town Clerk

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