

AGENDA ITEM COVERSHEET

PREPARED BY: Kim Ward, Town Clerk DEPARTMENT: Clerk

MEETING: Town Council 3/14/2023

SUBJECT: Resolution 23-2279 Supporting H.R. 524 Exempting Carolina Beach from

Provisions of the Coastal Barrier Resources Act

BACKGROUND:

Congressman Rouzer filed a bill that would, in effect, exempt Carolina Beach and Wrightsville Beach from provisions of the Coastal Barrier Resources Act that, based on some interpretations, have prevented federal funds to be spent to use Masonboro Inlet and Carolina Beach Inlet as borrow sites for our Coastal Storm Damage Reduction projects in Wrightsville Beach and Carolina Beach.

During meetings with Congressional staff earlier this month in Washington, D.C., representatives from New Hanover County were encouraged to provide resolutions or letters of support from local stakeholders over the next couple of months.

ACTION:

Adopt Resolution 23-2279 supporting H.R. 524 that would exempt Carolina Beach and Wrightsville Beach from the provisions of the Coastal Barrier Resources Act.