



## **RESOLUTION OF THE TOWN OF ONANCOCK**

### **EMERGENCY ORDER TO EXTEND THE BUSINESS LICENSE TAX DUE DATE DURING THE COVID-19 PANDEMIC DISASTER**

**WHEREAS**, on March 12, 2020, Governor Ralph S. Northam issued Executive Order Fifty-One declaring a state of emergency for the Commonwealth of Virginia arising from the novel Coronavirus (COVID-19) pandemic; and

**WHEREAS**, Executive Order Fifty-One acknowledged the existence of a public health emergency which constitutes a disaster as defined by Virginia Code § 44-146.16 arising from the public health threat presented by a communicable disease anticipated to spread; and

**WHEREAS**, Executive Order Fifty-One ordered implementation of the Commonwealth of Virginia Emergency Operations Plan, activation of the Virginia Emergency Operations Center to provide assistance to local governments, and authorization for executive branch agencies to waive “any state requirement or regulation” as appropriate; and

**WHEREAS**, on March 13, 2020, the President of the United States declared a national emergency, beginning March 1, 2020, in response to the spread of COVID-19; and

**WHEREAS**, on March 11, 2020, the World Health Organization declared the COVID-19 outbreak a pandemic; and

**WHEREAS**, on March 31, 2020, the governing body of the Town of Onancock Town Council confirmed the declaration of local emergency made by the local director of emergency management on March 19, 2020 by the Accomack County Director of Emergency Services, specifically finding that the

COVID-19 Pandemic constitutes a "disaster" as defined in Virginia Code § 44-146.16, being a "communicable disease of public health threat"; and

**WHEREAS**, on March 31, 2020, the governing body of the Town of Onancock Town Council, pursuant to Town Code § 12-3(c), License Requirement, adopted an Emergency Resolution to Extend the Business License Due Date During the COVID-19 Pandemic Disaster; and

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the Town of Onancock hereby extends the business license due date to June 30, 2020; and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that this Resolution shall take effect immediately upon adoption and shall remain in effect through June 30, 2020.

**ADOPTED** by the Onancock Town Council.

APPROVED:

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Lisa Fiege, Clerk