



**AMENDMENT OF STATE OF EMERGENCY
AMENDMENT NO. 16**

WHEREAS, On March 23, 2020, under Article 1A of Chapter 166A of the North Carolina General Statutes and Chapter 33 of the Town of Holden Beach Code of Ordinances, the Town of Holden Beach declared a State of Emergency based on the public health emergency posed by COVID-19; and

WHEREAS, Amendment No. 1 to the State of Emergency was issued on March 23, 2020; Amendment No. 2 was issued on March 27, 2020, Amendment No. 3 was issued on March 31, 2020, Amendment No. 4 was issued on April 1, 2020, amendment No. 5 was issued on April 8, 2020, Amendment No. 6 on April 19, 2019, Amendment No. 7 on April 30, 2020, Amendment No. 8 on May 18, 2020, Amendment No. 9 on May 29, 2020; Amendment No. 10 on June 2, 2020; Amendment No. 11 on August 18, 2020; Amendment No. 12 on September 3, 2020; Amendment No. 13 on December 17, 2020; Amendment No. 14 on April 9, 2021; and Amendment No. 15 on April 23, 2021.

NOW THEREFORE the said State of Emergency, with subsequent amendments, be modified as follows:

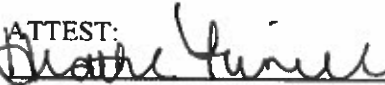
1. **Effective May 1, 2021, Town Hall will be open to the public for governmental services.** ~~All public municipal buildings are restricted to staff and Town Officials only. All public interaction with staff shall be limited to phone, email, text, the Town drop box and mail.~~
2. **The Town Hall Public Assembly will be open only to official Town of Holden Beach business, to include Town boards and committees.** All other previously approved Town Hall rental agreements are hereby suspended for the duration of the State of Emergency. Applicants should contact the Town regarding rescheduling these events.
3. The town manager, in his discretion, is authorized to permit the use of the Public Works facilities located at 1044 Sabbath Home Road for any and all activities related to the provision and support of public safety, health and welfare.
4. **The splash pad at Bridgeview Park will be open beginning Memorial Day weekend.** ~~be closed for the duration of the State of Emergency.~~
5. **Outdoor public gatherings are restricted to the regulations currently in place and any subsequent amendments from Governor Cooper.** ~~Outdoor public gathering are restricted to groups of no more than 100 persons.~~
6. ~~All persons are encouraged to stay close to home and follow social distancing protocol.~~
7. The Town encourages all individuals and business owners to adhere to CDC, Federal and State guidelines regarding COVID-19.

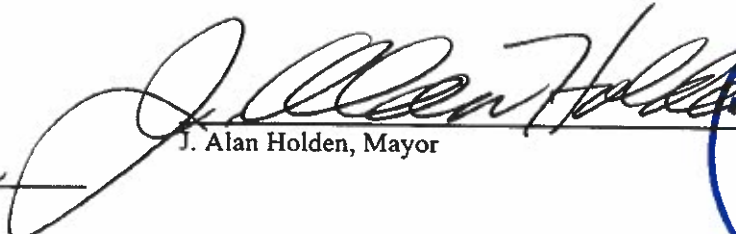
NOTE: ANY PERSON WHO VIOLATES ANY PROVISION OF THIS DECLARATION OR ANY PROVISION OF ANY EXECUTIVE ORDER ISSUED BY THE GOVERNOR SHALL BE GUILTY OF A CLASS 2 MISDEMEANOR IN ACCORDANCE WITH NC GENERAL STATUTE §14-288.20A, WHICH CARRIES A MAXIMUM PUNISHMENT OF UP TO 60 DAYS CONFINEMENT AND UP TO \$1,000 IN FINES PER OFFENSE.

All other restrictions currently in place shall remain in force until rescinded or amended.

This the 30th day of April, 2021.

ATTEST:


Heather Finnell, Town Clerk


J. Alan Holden, Mayor

