ORDINANCE FOR THE NUMBERING OF BUILDINGS IN THE TOWN OF HALIFAX, NORTH CAROLINA

1. Purpose and Intent

The display of a street address number on each residential, commercial or institutional building is required:

- a. to serve as a navigation reference to expedite response by fire, police, medical and other public safety responders in emergencies,
- b. to enable address identification from vehicles moving at the prevailing speed on adjacent roadways to maintain traffic flow,
 - c. to facilitate mail and package deliveries, and,
- d. to associate all real property with tax, zoning and other government records.

2. General Requirements

- a. It shall be the duty of each owner of a residential, institutional or commercial building within the Town of Halifax to display the proper street address of the property on the front thereof.
- b. One and two family dwellings shall display street address numbers on the structure that are at least four (4) inches in height, with a minimum stroke width of 0.5 inch, and <u>be clearly legible from the nearest travel way</u>.
- c. Unless the Fire Chief determines that they are not clearly legible from the road, structures currently displaying address numbers which are at least three (3) inches in height or more, and which were erected prior to the passage of this section, may remain in place until they are removed for renovation or any other reason, at which time they must be

brought into compliance with this ordinance.

- d. Commercial, multi-family and institutional buildings shall display street address numbers at least four (4) inches in height, or at least one (1) inch in height for every ten feet of distance between the displayed number and the centerline of the adjacent roadway, and be clearly legible from the nearest travel way.
- e. Should the commercial, multi-family or institutional structure be too far from the public or private travel way for required numbers to be seen, the property owner shall also erect, where the main driveway to the building intersects the public travel way, an additional set of numbers which can be easily read from vehicles traveling at the posted speed on the roadway.
- f. On lots joining more than one street, placement of address numbers on structures shall make clear to which street or road the number refers. Where this cannot be attained by choice of placement location, both the street name and number shall be displayed.

3. Assignment of Numbers

Where structures on property within the Town of Halifax have not been assigned a street address number by any other authority, the Operations Officer of the Town of Halifax may assign a proper street address number with consideration regarding the numbers of adjacent property.

4. Penalty for Violation

Any person who violates this ordinance shall pay an administrative fee of One Hundred (\$100.00) Dollars per violation.

5. Other Remedies

In addition to civil penalties and permit suspension, a violation of this ordinance is a misdemeanor, and may also be enforced through injunctive or other equitable relief, or a combination of remedies.

ADOPTED this $\mu^{4\kappa}$ day of January, 2023, by an affirmative vote of the Board.

Town of Halifax

Sy your Mayor

Attest: Comme Wills

Town Clerk