PROCLAMATION OF THE MAYOR OF THE TOWN OF CARRBORO
PROVIDING FOR TEMPORARY WAIVERS OF LAND USE ORDINANCE
PROVISIONS PERTAINING TO PRIVATE PROPERTIES AND TEMPORARY
MODIFICATIONS OF USE OF PARTICULAR PUBLIC PROPERTIES AND STREETS
WITHIN THE CORPORATE LIMITS OF CARRBORO

WHEREAS, the Mayor of the Town of Carrboro has the authority to issue this Proclamation pursuant to N.C. Gen. Stat. §§ 166A-19.22(a) and 166A-19.31(b)(2) in response to the COVID-19 Public Health Crisis; and

WHEREAS, on May 20, 2020, Governor Roy Cooper issued Executive Order No. 141 in connection with that Public Health Crisis, which Order provided for, inter alia, the opening of certain businesses that would be facilitated through the town’s Á la Carrboro programming efforts intended to support physical distancing needs of Town businesses that are protecting the health of clients, customers, and the general public while providing business services;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Lydia E. Lavelle, Mayor of the Town of Carrboro, do hereby proclaim the continued existence of a STATE OF EMERGENCY within the Town of Carrboro, and, pursuant to the authority granted to me by State law and Town ordinance, and in facilitation of the Governor’s Executive Order No. 141 and any subsequent Executive Order regarding the opening of businesses in the State during the Public Health Crisis, hereby ORDER as follows:

1. With respect to commercially zoned private properties on which businesses are currently legally operating, and on which standards established in the Town of Carrboro Land Use Ordinance are applicable in general, and on which specific conditions have been imposed through a governing Special Use Permit or Conditional Use Permit, the following ordinance provisions, permit conditions, and related standards are waived on a temporary basis, so long as modifications on private property are conducted in a manner that maintains public health, safety, and the general welfare:

   (i) The temporary use of outdoor spaces on private properties to conduct business operations in a manner that supports physical distancing efforts, to include outdoor lawns and other open spaces, on-site sidewalks, and parking lots when conducted in a manner that maintains public health, safety, and general welfare. Temporary use of a designated fire lane under this clause is subject to approval by the Town of Carrboro Fire Marshall; and

   (ii) Land Use Ordinance language relating to temporary signage and banners such that legally operating businesses may add temporary signage regarding the status and conditions of their operations.

2. The Town may temporarily modify the existing use of the town rights of way, NCDOT rights of way, and other publicly owned properties in the following locations, pursuant to the need and desire to support Carrboro businesses by providing additional opportunities for businesses to successfully conduct operations in a manner that maintains public health, safety, and general welfare:

   (i) Portions of East Weaver Street and / or West Weaver Street may be converted to a pick-up lane to be utilized for temporary storage of vehicles while awaiting the delivery of provisions from one or more proximate businesses. These
areas may also be modified in a manner that increases pedestrian capacity to facilitate social distancing efforts. During this time, if the Town chooses to employ pick up lanes within public street rights-of-way, persons awaiting provisions from proximate businesses shall not exit their vehicles;

(ii) Portions of East Main Street and / or West Main Street, in coordination with and with approval from NCDOT, may be converted to establish a pick up lane. If the Town chooses to employ this temporary change and NCDOT concurs and allows the temporary change, this lane will be utilized for temporary storage of vehicles while awaiting the delivery of provisions from one or more proximate businesses. The areas may also be modified in a manner that increases pedestrian capacity to facilitate social distancing efforts. During this time, if the Town chooses to employ pick up lanes within public street rights-of-way, persons awaiting provisions from proximate businesses shall not exit their vehicles;

(iii) Century Center parking lot, on east side of Century Center adjacent to Jade Palace restaurant. The Town may convert multiple parking spaces in the parking lot to be utilized as temporary storage for vehicles while awaiting the delivery of provisions from one or more proximate businesses. During this time, if the Town chooses to employ this temporary change, persons awaiting provisions from proximate businesses shall not exit their vehicles; and

(iv) Century Center parking lot, at the corner of North Greensboro Street and West Weaver Street. The Town may convert multiple parking spaces in the lot to be utilized as temporary storage for vehicles while awaiting the delivery of provisions from one or more proximate businesses. During this time, if the Town chooses to employ this temporary change, persons awaiting provisions from proximate businesses shall not exit their vehicles. The Town may also choose to convert portions of the lot to allow for placement of chairs, tables, tents, and other necessary provisions in order to create a venue for outdoor dining or other leisure activities conducted in accordance with appropriate social distancing guidelines and rules.

This Proclamation shall be effective June 26, 2020 at 5:00pm (Eastern Daylight Time) and remain in effect until properly rescinded or modified by subsequent Proclamation.

GIVEN UNDER MY HAND AND THE SEAL OF THE TOWN OF CARRBORO ON THIS 26th day of June, 2020 AT 9:00 AM.

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Mayor

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Town Clerk