Terrebonne Parish Consolidated Government WAIVER OF BUILDING PERMIT FEES

Executive Order

Emergency Operations Center Contact: 985-873-6357

BY ORDER OF THE OFFICE OF THE PARISH PRESIDENT OF TERREBONNE:

WHEREAS, on July 10, 2019, Parish President Gordon E. Dove issued an Executive Order declaring a parish-wide state of emergency due to the threat of Potential Tropical Cyclone 2, which was upgraded to a tropical storm and then to Hurricane Barry in the days following;

WHEREAS, the Executive Order was recorded on July 10, 2019 at Entry No. 1584788 in the public records of Terrebonne Parish, Louisiana; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to Section 109.3 of the Terrebonne Parish Building Code (Terrebonne Parish Code of Ordinances, Chapter 6, Appendix A, Part II), "For a period not exceeding ninety (90) days from the date of any federal, state, or local disaster declaration, the jurisdiction may waive or discount permit fees for the immediate repair, renovation, reconstruction, elevation, or demolition of any residential structure affected by such disaster, in which case any reduction in normal fees for enforcement agency services shall be made good from the jurisdiction's general fund;"

WHEREAS, Louisiana Revised Statute 29:727(F)(1) authorizes the parish president, during a declared state of emergency to "suspend the provisions of any regulatory ordinance prescribing the procedures for conduct of local business, or the orders, rules, or regulations of any local agency, if strict compliance with the provision of any ordinance, order, rule, or regulations would in any way prevent, hinder, or delay necessary action in coping with the emergency"; and

WHEREAS, the widespread rain, wind, and flooding caused by Hurricane Barry resulted in damage to residential and commercial properties, from which the residents and business owners of Terrebonne Parish are now in the process of recovering;

WHEREAS, to alleviate expense for recovering residents and business owners in Terrebonne Parish, and to facilitate swift recovery from the damage due to the storm, the Parish President will waive all fees related to all building permits, including trades, for the repair, renovation, reconstruction, elevation, or demolition of any of residential or commercial structure in Terrebonne Parish, Louisiana;

WHEREAS, the Office of the Parish President invokes all rights and remedies afforded it under federal law and Louisiana State Revised Statutes; and

WHEREAS, the Office of the Parish President invokes all rights and remedies afforded it under the Terrebonne Parish Code of Ordinances and Terrebonne Parish Charter; and

WHEREAS, immediate action by the Parish of Terrebonne is mandatory to fulfill the needs of the people of this Parish; and

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED BY TERREBONNE PARISH PRESIDENT GORDON E. DOVE, in furtherance of protecting life and property and in recovering from the damage caused by Hurricane Barry in Terrebonne Parish THAT:

SECTION 1: All building permit fees, including commercial, residential, and trade under Section 109 of the Terrebonne Parish Building Code are hereby waived for the repair renovation, reconstruction, elevation, or demolition of any commercial or residential structure

damaged as a direct or indirect result of the winds, rain, or flooding brought on by Hurricane Barry; however, all applicants must obtain a building permit and must follow all national, state, and local building codes, as required by law; and

SECTION 2: Terrebonne Parish Consolidated Government and any designated officer, employee, or agent of the Terrebonne Parish Planning and Zoning Department shall be and is hereby authorized to waive the permit fees described above upon appropriate evidence presented by the applicant; and

SECTION 3: The Parish Office of Homeland Security and Emergency Preparedness Director, Earl Eues, (985) 873-6357, be hereby designate as point of contact; and

SECTION 4: This Order is effective upon signature and shall continue until amended, modified, terminated, or rescinded by the Parish President.

AT HOUMA, LOUISIANA, THIS $\cancel{59}^{\circ}$ DAY OF JULY 2019 AT $\cancel{\bowtie}$: $\cancel{52}$ O'CLOCK $\cancel{\varphi}$.M.

Gordon E. Dove Parish President

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Terrebonne Parish web-page: tpcg.org and 8026 Main Street, Suite 700