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**PROCLAMATION**  
**Recognizing the**  
**“Surfrider Foundation – Bogue Banks Chapter”**

**Whereas**, the Surfrider Foundation is a national 501(c)(3) nonprofit that began with a few California surfers in 1991 who realized the intersection between the enjoyment and protection of not just California’s waters, but oceans and waterways worldwide; and

**Whereas**, the local Chapter of the Surfrider Foundation was established in the summer of 2012 after a group of local surfers joined together with the vision to form the Surfrider’s Bogue Banks Chapter, one of 162 chapters, locally, stateside, and worldwide; and

**Whereas**, since its conception, the Bogue Banks Chapter of the Surfrider Foundation has led efforts against offshore drilling, aided the Plastic Oceans Project, directed field trips for local schools, raised funds for clean water initiatives, and stood in support of the Town of Emerald Isle in a court case that would have privatized local beach access; and

**Whereas**, the Surfrider’s Bogue Banks Chapter remains dedicated to maintaining access to clean, safe water, preventing coastal erosion, protecting public beach access, and cleaning up our waterways; and

**Whereas**, the Surfrider’s Bogue Banks Chapter has been instrumental in keeping the beaches in Emerald Isle clean through their monthly beach sweeps; and

**Whereas**, the Town of Emerald Isle wishes to recognize the important role of the Surfrider’s Bogue Banks Chapter to the quality of life in Emerald Isle through their active volunteer-based efforts of issue-driven campaigns, educational initiatives, and community involvement.

**NOW, THEREFORE**, I Eddie Barber, Mayor of the Town of Emerald Isle hereby issue this **Proclamation Recognizing the Surfrider Foundation – Bogue Banks Chapter**, and encourage everyone to follow the example set by this great group of volunteers in our community who give of their time freely and passionately to **“protect and preserve our ocean, beaches, and waves!”**

Proclaimed this 9<sup>th</sup> day of October, 2018.

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Eddie Barber, Mayor