



Resolution Endorsing The 2020 NC Marine Debris Action Plan

WHEREAS, in January 2020, the North Carolina Marine Debris Action Plan was published; and

WHEREAS, Beaufort is striving to clean up our waterways as part of a North Carolina Clean Water Coastal Community initiative to improve the health and prosperity of our Town; and

WHEREAS, a wide range of Beaufort organizations and citizens participated in the drafting of the Action Plan; and

WHEREAS, we are already taking active measures in accordance with the Action Plan's five primary goals; and

WHEREAS, we recognize we still have big challenges ahead and have built great partnerships with county, state, and national organizations to continue these efforts; and

WHEREAS, we are a leader in protecting our amazing North Carolina coastal ecosystem; and

WHEREAS, we are willing to provide our lessons learned to other communities that want to protect their ecosystems;

Now, **THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS OF THE TOWN OF BEAUFORT** fully endorses the 2020 North Carolina Marine Debris Action Plan and commits to using it as a guide for continuing to clean up our waterways.

ADOPTED, this the 24th day of February, 2020.

Attest:

Everette S. "Rett" Newton, Mayor

Michele Davis, Town Clerk