Minutes of the Lower Coastal Commission of Pilotage Meeting

August 13, 2024 Charleston Branch Pilots Association Office 6 Concord Street Charleston, South Carolina 29401

Board Members Present:

Mrs. Amy W. Page (Chairman)

Mr. Joel Britt

Mr. David R. Galloway

Mr. Henry Hay

Capt. Chris Thornton

Excused Absences were noted for:

Mr. Ben Flowers

Mr. Darrell Johnson

Staff and Others Present:

Capt. John Cameron, Pilot Commission Consultant

Capt. Crayton Walters, Charleston Pilots Association

Ms. Elizabeth Hills, Charleston Pilots Association

Ms. Laura Smith, LLR

Mr. Hardwick Stuart, LLR Counsel

Lt. James Sullivan, USCG

Ms. Owen Gregory, Secretary

The Commissioners of Pilotage for the Port of Charleston met August 13, 2024 at the Charleston Pilots Office. Whereas, proper notice of date, time, place and agenda information having been properly provided to the Charleston Post and Courier and proper notice also having been posted on the LLR website/Pilotage 24 hours prior to the time scheduled for the meeting and a quorum having been noted as present, Chairman Page called the meeting to order at 5:00 PM. All votes referenced herein were unanimous otherwise noted.

Chairman Page asked the members to approve the agenda. **Motion**: Commissioner Hay moved to accept the agenda and Commissioner Galloway seconded. **The motion passed**. Chairman Page asked the Commission to approve the July 9, 2024 minutes and the July financial reports. **Motion**: Commissioner Hay moved to accept the minutes and the financial report and Commissioner Galloway seconded. **The motion passed**.

Under old business, Lt. Sullivan reported for the Coast Guard. They are working on the AIN on 60 Alpha in Charleston and in the Wando reach. A light has fallen off on 13-2A. Swim Around Charleston is scheduled for September 13. Myrtle Beach is hosting a Maga boat parade on August 17.

Ms. Smith reported for LLR. Capt. Kratz's physical is due by 8/31.

Capt. Cameron informed the Commission that the Pilot's Regulation Committee has met and the Pilots have submitted a letter regarding recommendations for revision to the Commission. The Commission has reviewed the proposed changes. Commissioner Galloway moved to approve and accept

the proposed changes. Commissioner Page seconded. The motion passed. The Commission will send the proposed changes to LLR.

Capt. Cameron reported to the Commission that the letter regarding the Right Whale Ruling had been submitted and mailed to Myra Reece (DHEC). DES will also submit a letter. The comment period ends August 18, 2024. An Administrator from NOAA visited with the Pilots at the office the last week of July.

There was no New Business.

There were no Commissioner Comments.

Under legal comments, it was advised that Executive session can come off the Agenda.

There were no Announcements.

There were no public comments.

There being no further business to bring before the Commission, the meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

Mrs. Amy W. Page Chairman

A. Owen Gregory Secretary