ORDINANCE #24-08:

AN ORDINANCE CREATING A SOCIAL DISTRICT TO REGULATE OPEN CONTAINERS OF ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES BY AMENDING SECTION 130.05 OF THE PINEHURST MUNICIPAL CODE

THAT, WHEREAS, pursuant to N.C.G.S. § 160A-205.4 the Village may adopt an ordinance designating one or more social districts for use in accordance with N.C.G.S. § 18B-300.1; and

WHEREAS, the North Carolina General Assembly enacted the above legislation allowing municipalities to designate social districts within their jurisdiction to allow alcoholic beverages sold by licensed premises to be consumed within the district, outside of the establishment where the beverage was purchased; and

WHEREAS, the Village Council finds that the allowance of open containers during the 2024 US Open Golf Championships can be adequately managed by the Village's law enforcement and can be beneficial to the economic vitality of the Village Center;

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED AND ESTABLISHED by the Village Council of Pinehurst, North Carolina, in a regular meeting assembled this 12th day of March, 2024 as follows:

SECTION 1. That Section 130.05 of the Village of Pinehurst, North Carolina Municipal Code is hereby amended, which shall read as follows:

§ 130.05 ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES

- (E) Creation of a social district to be in effect during the 2024 US Open Golf Championships.
 - (1) Notwithstanding the provisions of sections 130.05 (A), (B), (C) and (D) of this Code, the possession of alcoholic beverages and open containers and their consumption shall be lawful within the Village Center Social District created pursuant to the provisions of G.S. § 160A-205.4 for the dates of June 10th, 2024 through June 16th, 2024.
 - (2) The Social District shall be created, designated, and managed in accordance with the requirements contained in G.S. § 160A-205.4 and Chapter 18B.
 - (3) The Social District shall be established in accordance with the map attached hereto as Exhibit A.
 - (4) The hours of operation for this social district shall be from 12:00 p.m. to 11:00 p.m.
 - (5) Any alcoholic beverage purchased for consumption in the Social District shall (i) only be consumed in the Social District and (ii) be disposed of before the person in possession of the alcoholic beverage exits the Social District unless the person is reentering the licensed premises where the alcoholic beverage was purchased.

- (6) Each permittee and non-permittee located within an established and designated social district that voluntarily wishes to participate shall display a uniform sign, provided by the City or its designee, indicating its inclusion in the social district. This allows alcoholic beverages on its premises when the social district is active. No business shall be required to participate or be included in the social district or to allow customers to bring alcohol onto its premises.
- (7) Any person who violates this section and any person who aids, abets, encourages, assists in, or contributes to a violation of this section shall be punishable as an infraction pursuant to N.C.G.S. §14-3.1 the procedure for disposition of infractions is as provided in Chapter 15A Article 66 of the North Carolina General Statues.

SECTION 2. The Village Manager or their designee is hereby directed to create a management and maintenance plan for the Village Center Social District and post the plans and a rendering of the Social District boundaries on the Village's website.

SECTION 3. The Village Manager or their designee is directed to submit a detailed map of the Village Center Social district and the days and hours during which the Social District shall be in operation to the North Carolina Alcoholic Beverage Control Commission

SECTION 4. That all ordinances in conflict herewith are hereby declared null and void while this ordinance remains in full force and effect.

SECTION 5. That this ordinance shall be and remain in full force and effect on June 10th and after the erection of the appropriate and necessary signs, until June 16th, 2024.

THIS ORDINANCE passed and adopted this 12th day of March, 2024.

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VILLAGE OF PINEHURST

VILLAGE/COUNCIL

Approved as to For

Patrick Pizzella, Mayor

Attest:

Shannon Konstantinou, Village Clerk

Michael J. Newman, Village Attorney