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Resolution 2008-04-02

RESOLUTION DECLARING ENGLISH AS THE OFFICIAL LANGUAGE OF SOUTHERN SHORES

WHEREAS, the people of the United States, North Carolina, Dare County and the Town of Southern Shores have welcomed people of all races, religions, ethnic groups and social-economic classes into our society, recognizing that we all derive great benefit from diverse races and ethnic groups that compose our citizenry; and

WHEREAS, as immigrants assimilate into our country, our state, our county and our towns, they become a part of our culture and society and those in our society are benefited by the influences of these diverse people; and


WHEREAS, since our inception, the United States has accepted immigrants and encouraged the "melting pot" phenomena for the benefit of those immigrating and more importantly for the benefit of the people of this country; and

WHEREAS, today immigrants are entering into our country, our state, our county and our towns who cannot read or write in English and as such have difficulty melting into and becoming a part of the American culture and society; and

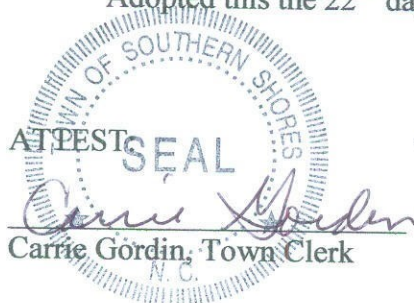
WHEREAS, to encourage and to assist our immigrants to more easily assimilate into our society, the Southern Shores Town Council believes that English should be the official language used by all.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Southern Shores Town Council declare that English is the official language of the Town of Southern Shores.

Adopted this the 22nd day of April, 2008.



Don Smith, Mayor

ATTEST

Carrie Gordin, Town Clerk