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**Article I      Preamble, Purpose, Authority, and Short Titles****Section 1.1      Preamble and Purpose**

An Ordinance amending the 1998 Zoning Ordinance of the Town of Stanley for the purpose of: promoting health, safety, morale, or the general welfare of the community, the Town is empowered to regulate and restrict the height, number of stories and size of buildings and other structures, the percentage of the lots that may be occupied, the size of yards, courts and other open spaces, the density of population, and the location and use of buildings, structures and land for trade, industry, residence or other purposes; these regulations may provide that a Board of Adjustment may determine and vary their application in harmony with their general purpose and intent and in accordance with the general or specific rules therein contained; the regulations may also provide that the Board of Adjustment or the Town Council may issue special and conditional use permits in the classes of cases or situations and in accordance with the principles, conditions, safeguards, and procedures specified therein and may impose reasonable and appropriate conditions and safeguards upon these permits and utility rights-of-way be dedicated to the public and that provision be made for recreational space and facilities.

BE IT ORDAINED by the Town of Stanley, North Carolina as follows:

**Section 1.2      Authority**

In pursuance of authority granted by the General Assembly of North Carolina in the General Statutes, specifically Chapter 160-A, Article 19, part 3, the Town of Stanley may enforce zoning regulations to promote the public health, safety, morals and general welfare; to promote orderly development of the community; to lessen congestion on the roads and streets; to secure overcrowding of land; to avoid undue concentration of population and to facilitate the adequate provision of transportation, water, sewerage, school, parks and other public facilities, all in accordance with the well-considered comprehensive plan.

**Section 1.3      Short Titles**

This Ordinance shall be known as the Zoning Ordinance of the Town of Stanley, North Carolina, and may be referred to as the “Zoning Ordinance.” The map which is identified by the title Official Zoning Map, Stanley, North Carolina, shall be known as the “Zoning Map.”