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2 **No Discharge Zone** - For the purpose of supporting the establishment of a “No Discharge Zone”
3 for the Annapolis waterways.

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5 **CITY COUNCIL OF THE**

6 *City of Annapolis*

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8 **Resolution 47-18**

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10 **Introduced by: Alderman Savidge, Alderman Arnett,**
11 **Aldерwoman Henson, Aldерwoman Tierney, Alderman Rodriguez,**
12 **Mayor Buckley and Alderman Paone**

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15 **A RESOLUTION** concerning

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17 **No Discharge Zone**

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19 **FOR** the purpose of supporting the establishment of a “No Discharge Zone” for Annapolis
20 waterways.

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22 **WHEREAS,** Section 312(f)(3) of the federal Clean Water Act (33 U.S.C. § 1322(f)(3)) allows
23 the State of Maryland to designate certain waters as “No Discharge Zones” in
24 which the discharge of vessel sewage, whether treated or not, is prohibited; and

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26 **WHEREAS,** the Severn River and its tributaries are classified as impaired by the
27 Environmental Protection Agency and the State of Maryland; and

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29 **WHEREAS,** the significant efforts of City government and its citizens to protect the waters of
30 the City and restore water quality will be enhanced by the designation of
31 additional waterways as a “No Discharge Zone” in the rivers, creeks, and bays of
32 Anne Arundel County, and

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34 **WHEREAS,** the Back Creek Conservancy is an Annapolis-based non-profit citizen advocacy
35 group dedicated to clean boating and improving the health of local waterways;
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38 **WHEREAS,** the Back Creek Conservancy has invested much time and effort in the preparation
39 of an Application for a State-Designated “No Discharge Zone” seeking “No
40 Discharge Zone” designation for the Magothy River, Severn River, South River,
41 Rhode River, West River, Stoney Creek, Bodkin Creek, Rock Creek, Podickory
42 Creek, Sandy Point/Mezick Ponds, Whitehall Bay, Oyster Cove, and Fishing
43 Creek, which would protect an additional 27,379 acres of waterway; and

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45 **WHEREAS,** the Application for a State-Designated “No Discharge Zone” dated June 28, 2018,
46 and prepared by the Back Creek Conservancy is adopted by reference herein; and

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2 **WHEREAS**, the Annapolis City Council supports the efforts of the Back Creek Conservancy to
3 designate additional waterways as a “No Discharge Zone” and supports the
4 establishment of a State-Designated “No Discharge Zone” in the City’s rivers,
5 creeks, namely, Back Creek, College Creek, Spa Creek and Weems Creek, and
6 tributaries into the Chesapeake.
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9 **NOW, THEREFORE,**

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11 **BE IT RESOLVED BY THE ANNAPOLIS CITY COUNCIL** that the City of Annapolis
12 supports the establishment by the State of Maryland of a “No Discharge Zone”, pursuant to
13 Section 312(f)(3) of the federal Clean Water Act, for the Magothy River, Severn River, South
14 River, Rhode River, West River, Stoney Creek, Bodkin Creek, Rock Creek, Podickory Creek,
15 Sandy Point/Mezick Ponds, Whitehall Bay, Oyster Cove, and Fishing Creek, and the Back Creek
16 Conservancy’s Application for a State-Designated No Discharge Zone, in furtherance thereof.
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18 **AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED BY THE ANNAPOLIS CITY COUNCIL** that a copy
19 of this Resolution shall be sent to Steven R. Schuh, County Executive and William Kardash,
20 Severn River Commission and the Back Creek Conservancy.
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22 **AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED BY THE ANNAPOLIS CITY COUNCIL** that this
23 resolution shall take effect from the date of its passage.
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25 **EXPLANATION**

26 Underlining indicates matter added to existing law.

27 [~~Strikethrough~~] indicates matter stricken from existing law.
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