

Open Letter of Resignation from Timothy Petrick, Harbormaster of Crescent City Harbor District

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To the People of Crescent City and the Crescent City Harbor Community,

After much thought and consideration, I am announcing my decision to step down as Harbormaster of Crescent City Harbor District, effective September 30th. Serving this remarkable community has been a great honor, and I leave this position with immense pride in what we have accomplished together.

Over the past four years, we have seen tremendous growth and progress. The harbor has not only been the lifeblood of our local community but also a source of pride for everyone who calls CCHD home. Together, we've secured over \$15,000,000 in funding for vital infrastructure improvements, which will strengthen the

harbor's capacity and ensured it remains a key hub for both commercial and recreational vessels for years to come.

Some of the major highlights during my tenure include:

- The funding and permitting of the expansion of the pier facilities, allowing for an increase in cargo capacity and smoother operations.
- The successful updating of dozens of outdated and underperforming leases.
- Securing critical state and federal grants to modernize harbor infrastructure, fortify sea walls, and improve overall safety for all mariners.
- Collaborating with local businesses and stakeholders to promote maritime tourism, bringing significant economic benefits to the entire community.
- And leaving the harbor in a position for major development and growth in the coming years.

This success is a testament to the dedication and hard work of everyone involved—the harbor staff, local officials, the commercial fishing community, recreational boaters, and our countless partners at the state and federal level. I am deeply grateful for the trust and collaboration that made these achievements possible.

As I step away, I do so with full confidence that the harbor is well-positioned for continued success and growth. I know that with strong leadership CCHD will remain a beacon of strength for our region, a vital contributor to our economy, and a source of enjoyment for generations to come.

I wish nothing but the best for my successor and the entire harbor team. I have no doubt they will continue to uphold the high standards we have worked so hard to establish.

Thank you again to everyone who has supported me and helped make this journey successful.

With deep gratitude and warmest wishes for the future,

Timothy Petrick

Former Harbormaster

Crescent City Harbor District