AN ORDINANCE AMENDING SECTION 5-56 OF THE TOWN CODE ADOPTING REVISIONS TO THE FLOOD INSURANCE STUDIES AND FLOOD INSURANCE RATE MAP PANELS (2018-10-10/0-5)

WHEREAS, the Town of Chapel Hill received the Letter of Final Determination dated April 19, 2018 from the U.S. Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) and the North Carolina Department of Public Safety. This Letter completed the flood study and mapping revision and review process for Durham County, of which five Chapel Hill Flood Insurance Rate Maps overlap both Orange and Durham Counties and two Chapel Hill Flood Insurance Rate Maps are located solely in Durham County. It also began the six-month compliance period, during which the Town must adopt the revised Flood Insurance Study and Flood Insurance Rate Maps through amendments to its Flood Damage Prevention Ordinance. This action is necessary in order to maintain the Town's participation in the National Flood Insurance Program.

BE IT ORDAINED by the Council of the Town of Chapel Hill as follows:

Section 1. Section 5-56 of the Town Code is hereby revised to read as follows:

"Sec. 5-56. - Basis for establishing the special flood hazard areas.

The special flood hazard areas are those identified under the cooperating technical state (CTS) agreement between the State of North Carolina and FEMA in its flood insurance study (FIS) dated November 17, 2017 October 19, 2018 for Orange County; the FIS dated May 16, 2008 dated October 19, 2018 for Durham County; and the associated digital flood insurance rate map (DFIRM) panels, including any digital data developed as part of the FIS, which are adopted by reference and declared to be a part of this article. Future revisions to the FIS and DFIRM panels that do not change flood hazard data within the jurisdictional authority of the Town of Chapel Hill are also adopted by reference and declared a part of this article. Subsequent Letter of Map Revisions (LOMRs) and/or Physical Map Revisions (PMRs) shall be adopted within three months."

Section 2. This Ordinance is effective upon enactment.

This the 10th day of October, 2018.