City Of Southport

Resolution in Opposition to the Construction
Of the North Carolina International Terminal
Next to the City of Southport, NC

WHEREAS. the North Carolina State Ports Authority, has failed, despite numerous requests, to meet with the citizens and Aldermen of Southport in a public setting to provide information and answer questions about the proposed port and

WHEREAS. the economic benefits of the proposed port to Southport, Brunswick County and the state of North Carolina have been grossly exaggerated, and discredited by a number of authorities and

WHEREAS, this development will create serious problems related to public safety, traffic congestion, reduction in tourism, and adverse environmental impacts and

WHEREAS. the cost to taxpayers for this project will exceed two (2) billion dollars at a time when government resources are scarce and the shipping industry is at a historical low point and

WHEREAS. competitive ports in Charleston, SC, Savannah, GA and Hampton Roads, VA have approved expansion projects, existing infrastructure and natural deep water harbors and

WHEREAS. the majority of the citizens of Southport are opposed to the proposed port and

WHEREAS. government officials want to know if the local municipalities are in favor of or opposed to the proposed port,

NOW. THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the City of Southport is opposed to the construction and operation of the proposed container shipping terminal, named the North Carolina International Terminal next to the City of Southport,

This resolution was adopted by the Board of Aldermen of the City of Southport at its regularly scheduled meeting held on June 10, 2010.

Mary Ellen Watts Poole, Mayor Pro-Tem

Regina W. Alexander, City Clerk CMC