

CITY OF SUGAR HILL

RESOLUTION MORATORIUM ON MASSAGE OR SPA ESTABLISHMENTS

WHEREAS, the Mayor and City Council of the City of Sugar Hill, Georgia are committed to utilizing available resources to promote the preservation and improvement of the health, welfare, and public safety of the citizens of the City of Sugar Hill; and

WHEREAS, the Mayor and City Council of the City of Sugar Hill are committed to protecting the health and welfare of its citizens through the regulation of its massage or spa establishments; and

WHEREAS, the Mayor and City Council of the City of Sugar Hill believe it is in the best interest of the citizens of Sugar Hill to provide for the proper regulations and controls on massage or spa establishments located in the municipal boundaries; and

WHEREAS, the City of Sugar Hill has received two applications for new massage establishments within a two-month time period; and

WHEREAS, in reviewing these applications for new massage establishments certain inconsistencies have been found to exist between the city's regulations for massage or spa establishments and the current Georgia Massage Therapy Practice Act; and

WHEREAS, the Mayor and City Council of the City of Sugar Hill seek to review portions of the city ordinances and draft new ordinances related to the regulation of Massage or Spa Establishments.

NOW THEREFORE it is hereby resolved and ordained that the Mayor and City Council of the City of Sugar Hill place a temporary moratorium on the issuance of any special use permits, zoning approvals, certificates of occupancy, occupational tax certificates, or other permits or approvals for Massage or Spa Establishments within the municipal boundaries of the City of Sugar

Hill through and including June 30, 2022.

IT IS FURTHER RESOLVED that no Massage or Spa Establishments may operate in the City of Sugar Hill during that time without receiving a special use permit, other zoning approvals, and the issuance of any other required permits or approvals unless said Massage or Spa Establishment was in lawful operation as of the date of the adoption of this Resolution or had submitted an application for a special use permit or other zoning approval with the Department of Planning and Development, which had been accepted as complete, prior to the adoption of this Resolution.

IT IS FURTHER RESOLVED that this temporary moratorium shall not affect any special use permits, zoning approvals, certificates of occupancy, occupational tax certificates, or other permits or approvals that were issued by the City prior to the adoption of this Resolution, if any.

IT IS FURTHER RESOLVED AND ORDAINED that this Resolution and temporary moratorium shall become effective immediately upon its adoption by the Mayor and Council.

IT IS SO RESOLVED this ____ day of April, 2022, by the Mayor and Council of Sugar Hill, Georgia.

Brandon Hembree, Mayor

Attest:

Jane Whittington, City Clerk