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A.G. 'Spud' Woodward DIRECTOR

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Stephen Yetman, Locations Manager Beach House Productions USA, LLC 48 W Montgomery Cross Road Ste 203 Savannah, GA 31406

Re: Letter of Permission (LOP), Movie Production & Related Activities for <u>Beach House Productions USA, LLC</u>, in the State's Shore Protection Act Jurisdiction, Tybee Island, Chatham County, Georgia

Dear Mr. Yetman:

This Letter of Permission (LOP) is in response to your revised request dated October 5, 2017 to film scenes for the above referenced production on Tybee Island. The proposed project includes the temporary use of motor vehicles, placement of vehicular matting, landscaping and the use of other associated production equipment in the State's Shore Protection Act jurisdiction on Tybee Island, Chatham County, Georgia. The project will begin no sooner than 15 days after the date on this letter and be completed no later than January 31, 2018.

The production company has proposed the following activities within the State's Shore Protection Act Jurisdiction at 1903 Chatham Avenue, Tybee Island GA and the South Beach area seaward of the Chatham Avenue residence. Production Company activity will occur between 5:30am until 7pm, with the exception of four (4) scheduled nights of filming with a call time of 3 am until 3 pm. Production dates are subject to change due to weather or unforeseen production changes.

For all scenes, production equipment may consist of three (3) Utility Transport Vehicles (UTVs) and associated trailers for camera, electric and other departments, as needed. Production equipment positioned on the beach, landward of ordinary high water may include camera equipment, one (1) dolly crane, one (1) Lull lift, assorted video monitors, sound equipment, lighting and support equipment, and four (4) 10ft. x 10ft. tents and associated chairs and tables.

For all water and beach activities, the company may have support vessels in the water during filming. The support vessels may consist of two (2) Marine Coordinator boats.

Sets and the associated equipment, props and crew on the beach in the vicinity of 1903 Chatham Avenue include:

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## Private Residence and Beach on South End

The 1903 Chatham Avenue location includes the landscaped area seaward of the residence, the existing dune-paths and the beach seaward of the residence.

Temporary activities in the State's SPA Jurisdiction at 1903 Chatham Avenue and the beach seaward of the residence include temporary use of motor vehicles, the placement of production equipment in jurisdiction, placement of matting on an existing dune path and DNR-approved vehicular access points, construction of a small sand dune using beach quality sand, and dunescaping. Selective hand trimming of vegetation in jurisdiction is also proposed.

Vehicular access for all production equipment to the beach area seaward of the 1903 Chatham Avenue location will be via the City of Tybee Island's DNR-approved vehicular access point at Inlet Avenue and 19<sup>th</sup> Street. The Company will temporarily place approximately 350ft. of traction mats on the beach at each location for the duration of the shoot. The pre-fab mats will be placed along a designated travel corridor and provide vehicles access to the hard packed sand seaward of ordinary high water. The designated travel corridor will minimize temporary impacts and enhance public safety. The travel corridor will be delineated by Department staff and will be built seaward from Inlet Avenue and 19<sup>th</sup> Street DNR-approved vehicular access point. The temporary installation and maintenance of the beach access mat will help minimize impacts to the ecosystem at the location while allowing for vehicular ingress & egress across the dry sand beach.

Approximately 1-2 truckloads of clean sand procured from an approved upland location will be delivered to the beach using the Inlet Avenue vehicular access point. Discharge of each load will occur seaward of the toe of the dune. A small bobcat will transport the sand to the desired location. If needed, sand will be bagged to provide a stable base for the dune. Additionally, a wooden platform may be constructed to allow crew access to the landward side of the man-made dune. The manmade dunes will be crafted with the bagged and/or loose, clean sand. Driftwood and native vegetation in pots will be strategically "planted" in the constructed dune and adjacent dune field using hand tools only. Dune fencing, consistent with existing dune fence in the vicinity, will be installed in a manner consistent with GA DNR WRD Sand Fence Guidelines. All driftwood, potted vegetation and dune fence will be removed upon completion of production.

Additionally, the production crew will hand rake or hand sweep the beach to remove any debris as well as vehicle tracks and footprints from crew and talent on set. The proposed area to be manicured is approximately 20 yards x 30 yards and will be no more than three inches deep. Within this work area, the Company will temporarily remove benches, trash cans, and signage in the dunes & the surrounding area. Flags will be strategically placed to identify fake nesting locations. At completion of production, crew will re-install any removed signage, will remove any man-made nesting props and re-distribute any sand over the area to make it consistent with the natural topography.

Production equipment staged on the beach seaward of 1903 Chatham Avenue will draw power from a generator at the residence. The company will run bundled power cables along three existing dune paths in this vicinity to service the set. The power cable bundles will be identified

& secured appropriately. After filming wraps daily, the cables will be coiled at the seaward toe of the dune and appropriately identified.

Vehicles associated with the activities at this location may include one (1) utility truck, one (1) bobcat, three (3) Utility Transport Vehicles (UTVs), one (1) condor crane and one (1) Lull lift. Portable restrooms will be temporarily positioned landward of the State's SPA jurisdiction.

Public access to this area will be managed by crew and security. During filming, the Company may also employ off marine patrol units to limit public watercraft from traveling within 500 feet of the set. Additional crowd control will be accomplished by staff security and crew. If needed, crew will temporarily install fencing from the low water mark landward at the location. Fencing will be adjusted throughout the tidal cycle and will be removed at the end of each day. Public access may be restricted, but otherwise, all efforts will be made to allow reasonable public access.

The Department authorizes Beach House Productions USA, LLC Worldwide Productions, Inc. to conduct temporary activities in the State's Shore Protection Act jurisdiction in conjunction with the film production as depicted in the attached description and has no objection to the activities provided Best Management Practices (BMP's) are used to prevent any additional impacts at the site and to protect jurisdictional shore areas. Any deviations from the current project description, equipment list or location footprint may require further review.

## **General Provisions:**

The Department will inspect all areas as described above during and at the termination of the temporary activities to ensure that those areas are in a condition consistent with the authorization granted by this Letter of Permission. All persons associated with Beach House Productions USA must remain off the vegetated dunes during setup, filming and breakdown at the approved locations. No vegetation is to be disturbed during approved activities. Any incidental impacts to the dunes or vegetation must be restored to pre-activity vegetated and topographic conditions as determined by the Department.

Prior to placement of beach quality sand in the areas described above, documentation from an approved laboratory must be provided to the Department confirming that the sand is consistent with native beach sand including sediment grain size, composition, and color.

Since a portion of the activities will occur during the period of May 1<sup>st</sup> to October 31<sup>st</sup>, all areas must be surveyed daily by a person in possession of a DNR Sea Turtle Cooperators Permit prior to commencement of any activities. If a nesting site is located, nests must be marked and avoided.

This Letter of Permission is valid for the activities described above at the locations described above during though January 31, 2018. Any change in the type of activities, date, or locations without prior notification and approval from this office could result in the revocation of this Letter of Permission and the requirement to immediately cease all activities followed by removal

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of the materials and related structures. This project must comply with all other federal, state, and local statutes, ordinances and regulations.

Thank you for working with the Department on this project. Please do not hesitate to contact me or Deb Barreiro 912.266.3695 if you have any questions or concerns.

Sincerely,

A.G. "Spud" Woodward

Director

Enclosures: Project Description & Exhibits

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# **DRAFT 10/4/17 8am**

- Production request permission to beach access and filming starting on Oct 23<sup>rd</sup> for 60 days.
- Production requests permission to establish a film set on the southern point of Tybee Island moving from approximately the 19<sup>th</sup> Ave crossover around the southern tip of the island to the first dock on the inlet side.
- Production requests permission to restrict public access on the beach in this zone as needed during filming.
- Waterway control?
- Productions agrees to place mats on the dune crossover at 1903 Chatham to minimize impact.
- Production request permission to use the public beach access at Inlet Ave for vehicle access to support filming activities.
- Production requests permission to utilize the public parking areas around 19<sup>th</sup> Ave to place essential equipment and vehicles to support filming; including trucks, generator(s), condors and portalets.
- Requesting permission for use of GATORS(#) W/TRAILERS, LULL LIFT, AND CONDORS ON THE BEACH.
- Requests permission to place filming equipment on the beach; including cameras, video monitors, sound equipment, lights and shading flags and their support stands, sand bags, tents (no bigger than 10'X10"), crew chairs MORE? PLYWOOD?
- Requests permission for **several** cable runs over the dunes to support filming on the beach. Runs will be coiled up to the base of the dunes and marked for safety overnight.
- Request permission to add some dune fencing, and DNR approved quality sand to create a dune and faux turtle nest seaward of the dune line for our filming needs.
- Permission to add sea grass in appropriate areas to camera angles.
- Permission to remove several signs in our set area.
- Permission to create faux turtle tracks in the sand from the water line to our faux turtle nest.
- Permission to rake beach sand as needed to cover vehicular tracks, footprints, etc..
- Permission to cover cables runs, and other equipment with sand, appropriate plants and/or driftwood to camera needs.

# Write a description for your map. **Beach House USA LLC** Legend Access

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