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June 13, 2022

Shawn Gillen  
City of Tybee Island  
P.O. Box 491  
Tybee Island, GA 31328

**Re: Letter of Permission (LOP), Activities within the State's Shore Protection Act (SPA) Jurisdiction, 4<sup>th</sup> of July Fireworks Display, South Beach, Tybee Island, Chatham County, Georgia**

Dear Mr. Gillen:

This Letter of Permission (LOP) is in response to your request to host 4<sup>th</sup> of July Fireworks Display on the South Beach area of Tybee Island. The display is a one-day event that will occur Monday, July 4, 2022.

Your request includes the temporary placement of a fireworks display trailer on the Tybee Island Pier and crowd control measures on the beach in order to create a fireworks safety zone in association with the 4<sup>th</sup> of July Display. The fireworks launch trailer will be staged on the Pier and secured until the event. Working in conjunction with the Tybee Island Police Department, the safety zone will be created using cones to secure the area immediately north and south of the Tybee Pier & Pavilion. The public will be able to traverse the beach landward of the fireworks safety zone and spectators will be able to observe the fireworks from a controlled distance. The fireworks safety zone will be delineated using City of Tybee Island Police traffic cones that will be set up the day of the event and removed when the event concludes. To prevent and minimize marine debris associated with the display, all debris must be removed immediately after the display is completed, this includes zip ties and spent fireworks that land on the beach or pier at the conclusion of each event. Debris must be disposed of in a fire-safe container and removed from the public beach at the end of the event.

The Department authorizes the temporary activities associated with the events as depicted in the attached project description and location map. This LOP is not meant to exempt the above referenced activities from future environmental laws. **No unauthorized equipment, materials, or debris may be placed, disposed of, or stored in jurisdictional areas.** Any incidental impacts associated with this project to the dunes or dune vegetation must be rectified by fully

restoring areas to their pre-construction topographic and vegetative states. This LOP is valid for the above referenced projects.

If you have any further questions or concerns regarding this, or any other project, please feel free to contact Deb Barreiro at (912) 266-3695.

Sincerely,



Jill Andrews  
Chief, Coastal Management Section

Enclosure: 2022 4<sup>th</sup> of July Site Plan

cc: Robyn Rosner  
City of Tybee Special Events Coordinator  
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## **CITY OF TYBEE ISLAND**

April 21, 2022

Deb Barreiro  
Coastal Resources Division  
Georgia Department of Natural Resources

Dear Ms. Barreiro:

The City of Tybee Island is requesting a Letter of Permission (LOP) for the temporary activity of having a fireworks display from the pier on July 4, 2022. The fireworks will be launched from the end of the pier, away from the beach. We will set up barricades to create a safety zone 500' from each side of the pier. Those wishing to watch the fireworks show will set up on the beach on either side of the safety zone or further inland. The display will begin at approximately 9:00 p.m. and last approximately 30 minutes.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Shawn Gillen", is written over a light blue horizontal line.

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