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ITEM NO. 2.

DATE OF MEETING: July 11, 2011

REQUESTED BY: Kyle Breuer, Director, Department of Planning and Community Development

SHORT TITLE: Presentation and Recognition to Kenneth E. Vafier, Senior Planner, for Dedicated Service to the CAMA Local Permitting Programming.

BACKGROUND: The Coastal Area Management Act (CAMA) was passed in 1974 to ensure the balanced use of North Carolina's coastal resources. The Coastal Resources Commission and the Division of Coastal Management administer the coastal management program. An important part of the program is managing development in the coastal area by requiring permits for development in areas of environmental concern (AECs).

Minor permits are issued by a county representative, known as the CAMA local permit officer or LPO. LPOs are trained by the Division of Coastal Management to administer minor permits for their locality. Mr. Vafier has been the lead staff person in administering the local CAMA permitting program for Pender County. It is through his demonstration of cooperative efforts between local and state agencies and his dedicated and knowledgeable service to the citizens of Pender County that he is presented with a Certificate of Appreciation from the Division of Coastal Management for his years of services.