



Department of Legal Services

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September 8, 2021

**VIA U.S. CERTIFIED MAIL**

Edith Jakeman McDonald  
19 Erwin Chapel Road  
Erwin, North Carolina 28339

Re: Parcel Identification Number 0598-06-1105.000

Dear Ms. McDonald:

The Harnett County Department of Development Services referred the above-referenced property to my office for the purpose of instituting legal action to enforce violations of the Harnett County Unified Development Ordinance ("UDO") associated with junkyard conditions located on the property. Our records indicate that you are the owner of record of this property. Unless the junk materials are removed from the property, I am instructed to file a lawsuit against you without further notice seeking abatement of these violations.

As you are aware, the Department of Development Services, through Randy Baker, Assistant Manager of Planning Services, has been attempting to gain voluntary compliance with the UDO since January 26, 2021. Unfortunately, the property remains in violation of the UDO, despite having the benefit of more than ample notice and opportunity to correct the violations on your property. Consequently, the County has no further choice now but to pursue compliance through the court system unless you immediately remove the violations. If you fail to voluntarily comply with the UDO, then I will institute suit as planned, which will require you to appear in Harnett County Superior Court to avoid having a default judgment entered against you.

It is my sincere hope, along with the County, that you will take care of this matter to avoid having to pay additional costs of legal proceedings, which may include court costs, attorney's fees, and other fees associated with the cost of abatement. Should you choose to avoid legal action,

please remove all violations within **30 days** of receipt of this letter and contact Randy Baker at **910-814-6417** to schedule an inspection of the property. If you have any questions, please feel free to contact my office at **910-814-6009**. I look forward to your prompt attention to this matter.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read 'Christopher W. Appel', with a large, sweeping flourish extending to the right.

Christopher W. Appel  
Senior Staff Attorney  
County of Harnett

cc: George A. Wood, Interim County Manager – *via e-mail only*  
Coley Price, Assistant County Manager – *via e-mail only*  
Mark Locklear, Director of Harnett County Development Services – *via e-mail only*  
Randy Baker, Assistant Manager of Planning Services – *via e-mail only*