

**ORDINANCE NO. 9 - 2019**

**CITY OF EGG HARBOR**

**ORDINANCE AMENDING EGG HARBOR CITY CODE CHAPTER 213 ENTITLED  
“PROPERTY MAINTENANCE”, ARTICLE III ENTITLED “MAINTENANCE OF  
VACANT/ABANDONED PROPERTIES”**

**WHEREAS**, the Common Council of the City of Egg Harbor (the “City”) previously had enacted Ordinance 16 in the year 2013 which required the registration of vacant and abandoned structures; and

**WHEREAS**, the original Ordinance has been challenged by the Federal Housing Finance Agency who is requiring that the City exempt certain loan servicers of Fannie Mae and Freddie Mac loans that otherwise would be required to comply with Chapter 213 Article III of the previously enacted Ordinance,

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED** by the Common Council of the City of Egg Harbor, as follows that Chapter 213 Article III of the Municipal Code of the City of Egg Harbor is amended to add the following language:

**Section 1.**

“Notwithstanding any ordinances to the contrary, Fannie Mae, Freddie Mac and any loan service acting on their behalf shall be exempt from payment of any registration fee for any property registered under Chapter 213 Article III as well as from payment of any fines or penalties otherwise permitted to be assessed by Chapter 213 Article III or other ordinance that addresses vacant property.”

Any form used to register a property subject to Chapter 213 Article III shall provide a place for Fannie Mac, Freddie Mac or any loan servicer acting on their behalf to indicate their exempt status. Failure to indicate exempt status will not waive the right to claim exempt status but may require the registering party to reregister a property to indicate the exempt status.

**Section 2.**

Should any section, paragraph, sentence, clause, or phrase of this ordinance be declared unconstitutional or invalid for any reason, the remaining portions of this ordinance shall not be affected thereby and shall remain in full force and effective, and to that end the provisions of this ordinance are hereby declared to be severable.

**Section 3.**

All ordinances or parts of ordinances inconsistent with this amending ordinance are hereby repealed to the extent of their inconsistencies only.

**Effective Date**

This ordinance shall be effective immediately upon its adoption.

CITY OF EGG HARBOR CITY,  
a Municipal Corporation of the  
State of New Jersey

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Honorable Lisa Jampetti, Mayor

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Meg Steeb, City Clerk

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