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April 26, 2023 OFFICIAL PUBLIC STATEMENT REGARDING FASHION BLACKSMITH v. CRESCENT CITY HARBOR DISTRICT

Arbitrators have reached an interim decision in the Fashion Blacksmith v. Crescent City Harbor District matter. The Harbor District will continue to pursue all legal remedies available to resolve the issues in a way that is reasonable to both parties. Unfortunately, the lease with Fashion Blacksmith was a product of a different regulatory landscape and the District found it would be nearly impossible to meet the requirements of the lease due to permitting issues. CCHD appreciates the history of Fashion Blacksmith in the harbor and endeavors to meet the needs of all of our tenants. We look forward to working with Mr. Long and his family to resolve the matter.