

RESOLUTION NO. 2017-

**A Resolution Directing Action with Respect to Unsafe Structure Located at
16540 Days Bridge Road, Orange, Virginia 22960 (Tax Map # 54-2-A)**

WHEREAS, a Code Compliance Officer of the Spotsylvania County Building Safety Department has deemed a structure located at 16540 Days Bridge Road as unsafe and as endangering the public health or safety of County residents.

WHEREAS, upon finding the property is owned by the Estate of Melvina Scott Holliday, who died intestate in April, 1970, extensive research was conducted to determine and locate the heirs of the Estate of Melvina Holliday. The heirs were determined to be, in order of degree of relation and highest share percentage: Michael B. Holliday (grandson), Barrajean A. Holliday (grandson), Donna L. Dangerfield (great-granddaughter), Joseph K. Holliday, Jr., (great-grandson), Queen Ann Rogers (grandson's wife and heir), Delores H. Johnson (great-granddaughter), Roberta Norfleet (great-granddaughter), Regina Holliday (great-granddaughter), and Kayla Holliday (great-great-granddaughter).

WHEREAS, Building Safety sent certified letters to the known addresses of the property owner(s) on or about July 14, 2017. Two letters were returned unclaimed, and no response was received from the other heirs.

WHEREAS, Spotsylvania County Code Section 5-4 requires property owner(s) to remove, repair or secure dangerous structures when directed by the County and provides for removal or repair by the County when property owner(s) fail to do so within the specified time frame

WHEREAS, Spotsylvania County Code Section 5-4 provides that the cost of such removal shall constitute a lien against such property ranking on parity with liens for unpaid local taxes and enforceable in the same manner.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF THE COUNTY OF SPOTSYLVANIA: THAT the subject structure might endanger the public health or safety of other residents of the County; therefore, the heirs of the Estate of Melvina Scott Holliday, which owns the property of 16540 Days Bridge Road, are hereby directed to remove, repair or secure said unsafe structure located on this parcel within thirty (30) days of this Resolution.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED: That notice shall be published in the *Free Lance Star* once per week for the next two successive weeks, which shall direct all heirs of the Estate of Melvina Scott Holliday, as heirs of the property owner of 16540 Days Bridge Road to remove, repair or secure said unsafe structure within thirty (30) days from the date of this Resolution. No action shall be taken by the County to remove, repair, or secure said structure for at least thirty

(30) days following said newspaper publication pursuant to Spotsylvania County Code Section 5-4 and Virginia Code Section 15.2-906.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED: That should the heirs of Estate of Melvina Scott Holliday, as heirs of the property owner of 16540 Days Bridge Road fail to remove, repair or secure the said unsafe structure within the timeframe above, staff is directed to take any and all action necessary to do the same including the expenditure of funds to remove or repair said structure, with costs and expenses chargeable to and paid by the property owner(s), at this time being the Estate of Melvina Scott Holliday, and to place a lien against said property for collection of same.

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A COPY TESTE: _____

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