Petition No. 2011-

Petitioner: Charlotte-Mecklenburg Planning Department

# AN ORDINANCE AMENDING APPENDIX A OF THE CITY CODE –ZONING ORDINANCE

#### ORDINANCE NO.

#### BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF CHARLOTTE:

Section 1. Appendix A, "Zoning" of the Code of the City of Charlotte is hereby amended as follows:

#### A. CHAPTER 2: DEFINITIONS AND RULES OF CONSTRUCTION

- 1. PART 2: DEFINITIONS
  - a. Amend Section 2.201, "Definitions", by modifying the "short-term care facilities" definition by increasing the number of individuals that they may serve from eight to twelve. The revised text shall read as follows:

#### Short-term care facility.

A not-for-profit organization providing a 24-hour, safe, structured, and monitored environment for up to § 12 individuals who need short-term convalescent care services. Services may include any of the following: accommodations with full restroom facilities, meals, secure storage and/or refrigeration for medications, medical observation, nursing care, and/or supervision. A short-term care facility may be an accessory use to an institutional use, however, short-term care provided as part of a hospital or other medical facility is not included in this definition.

## B. CHAPTER 12: DEVELOPMENT STANDARDS OF GENERAL APPLICABILITY

### 2. PART 5: SPECIAL REQUIREMENTS FOR CERTAIN USES

a. Amend Section 12.522, "Short-term care facility" by amending the text to allow referrals from medical clinics or practices, and to extend the length of stay to 20 days unless a longer recuperation period is requested by a licensed physician, and approved by the facility director.

#### Section 12.522. Short-Term Care Facility.

(6) Referral of Individuals and Length of Stay:

Only individuals requiring short-term convalescent care services and referred by hospitals and emergency rooms, or other medical clinics or medical practices shall be allowed. Individuals shall stay no longer than 10 20 days following a hospital/emergency room discharge, or medical clinic or medical practice referral, unless a

# longer recuperation period is requested by a licensed physician and approved by the facility director, but no greater than 45 days.

Section 2. That this ordinance shall become effective upon its adoption.

Approved as to form	:			
City Attorney				
hereby certify by the City Council on theday of	, City Clerk of that the foregoing is a of the City of Charlotte, 2012, the referen Ordinance Book	true and exact c , North Carolina ence having been	copy of an Ordinan a, in regular session a made in Minute I	ice adopted n convened
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