

July 2, 2020

Good Afternoon,

The first half of 2020 has challenged our families, State and Nation. We have all seen strengths and weaknesses in how we have responded to these challenges. The elimination of discrimination in all forms will strengthen our communities and nation. It allows all to contribute and benefit in a nation envisioned by our founding fathers. It is fitting that we are celebrating our Nation's Independence Day as we work to make our nation a better place for all.

The COVID-19 pandemic continues to impact our lives in many areas. Pender County and our State is seeing community spread of the virus. We have now experienced the virus within our Topsail Beach community. All parties involved have done all that this possible to reduce the spread. We need to continue to do our part and use the 3W's – Wear, Wait & Wash. We can all assist and support our Topsail Beach businesses with their programs which encourages the use of face coverings when visiting their business. Showing patience, respect and setting examples helps all support our community. Our Town is working closely with our businesses, county, and state to ensure we are doing all that is possible to prevent the spread of COVID-19.

We wish all a safe and healthy July 4th Celebration with family and friends. Stay Safe.

Regards, Steve Smith, Mayor Town of Topsail Beach