

ORDINANCE NO. 2017- 05

**An Ordinance to Allow the Sale of Alcoholic Beverages Before  
Noon on Sundays at Licensed Premises**

**WHEREAS**, on June 29, 2017, the North Carolina General Assembly enacted Senate Bill 155, entitled “An Act to Make Various Changes to the Alcoholic Beverage Control Commission Laws”; and

**WHEREAS**, Section 4 of Ratified Senate Bill 155 authorizes city and county governments to adopt an ordinance to allow alcohol sales beginning at 10 am on Sundays; and

**WHEREAS**, Ratified Senate Bill 155 was signed into law by Governor Roy Cooper on the 30th day of June 2017 and became effective on that date (Session Law 2017, Chapter 87); and

**WHEREAS**, by enacting Senate Bill 155, North Carolina joins 47 other States in allowing alcohol service before noon on Sunday; and

**WHEREAS**, Sunday morning alcohol service will allow the hospitality community and retail merchants in our community to meet the needs of their customers; and

**WHEREAS**, Sunday morning alcohol service will benefit our small business community, bring people into business districts earlier in the day, and generate increased tax revenues; and

**WHEREAS**, our community has a diverse and growing population with different religious beliefs, each of which has various times and multiple days for worship;

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED** by the Town Council of Blowing Rock, North Carolina that:

Section 1. Pursuant to the authority granted by S.L. 2017-87 any establishment located in the corporate limits of Blowing Rock and holding an ABC permit issued pursuant to G.S. 18B - 1001 is permitted to sell beverages allowed by its permit beginning at 10 A.M. on Sundays.

Section 2. All laws and clauses of law in conflict herewith are repealed to the extent of any such conflict.

Section 3. This ordinance is effective on the 11th day of July 2017.

Adopted this 11th day of July 2017.

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Mayor J.B. Lawrence

Attest: \_\_\_\_\_  
Town Clerk, Hilari Hubner