

NOTICE OF INTENT TO OBTAIN CUSTODY

VESSEL 1968 – 25' Sailboat with Reg. No. WN148DF

The Port of Seattle (POS) declared the vessel *described as a 1968 28' Sailboat*, with registration WN148DF as derelict or abandoned. The vessel is currently located at Shilshole Bay Marina – 7001 Seaview Ave NW Seattle, WA 98117.

The Port of Seattle, acting as an authorized public entity with the authority granted in RCW 79.100, intends to take full and formal custody of the vessel on **April 3, 2024 (Custody Date).** After taking custody of the vessel, The Port of Seattle may use or dispose of it without further notice to the owner.

In order to keep the vessel, before the Custody Date, the owner must:

- Pay Entity back for costs incurred, and
- Move the vessel to an anchorage area, moorage facility, or storage location that authorizes the vessel.

If the owner wants to reclaim the vessel after The Port of Seattle has custody, or wants to challenge The Port of Seattle's decision to take custody, the owner must file a written appeal with the Pollution Control Hearings Board (PCHB) and serve a copy on The Port of Seattle. Addresses are in the boxes below:

Pollution Control Hearings Board (send one original and one copy)

Physical address: 1111 Israel Road, Ste 301

Tumwater, WA 98501

Mailing address: PO Box 40903

Olympia, WA 98504-0903

Phone: 360-664-9160

Port of Seattle

Attn: Maritime Environment and Sustainability

Compliance Team PO Box 1209 Seattle, WA 98121

The appeal must include the following information:

- A copy of this notice or a copy of the notification letter to the owner.
- Your name and address (mailing and legal, if different) and, if applicable, the name and address of your representative.
- A daytime phone number.
- A brief statement why you are appealing.
- A statement of what you want the Pollution Control Hearings Board to do.
- Your signature or that of your representative. This signature certifies that the content of the appeal is true.

See www.eho.wa.gov/Documents/Pamphlet PCHB.pdf or call the PCHB at the number above with appeal questions.

The owner may submit the appeal immediately, but the PCHB must <u>receive</u> it no later than May 3, 2024. The owner waives the right to a hearing if the PCHB does not receive an appeal on or before the Appeal Date. The owner is then liable for any costs incurred by Entity in responding to the vessel.

These costs may include all administrative costs incurred by the POS, removal and disposal costs, and costs associated with environmental damages directly or indirectly caused by the vessel. If there is a law suit, the successful party may receive reasonable attorneys' fees and costs.

The POS also may pursue any other remedies available under law. The POS is taking this action under the authority of Chapter 79.100 RCW. You can find a copy of this law online at http://apps.leg.wa.gov/RCW/default.aspx?cite=79.100.

For more information, contact The Port of Seattle at 206-787-3344