Southern Yacht Club Performance Handicap Fleet 2018 Spring Starlight Series NOTICE OF RACE

Southern Yacht Club is the organizing authority (OA) and invites all PHRF boats to participate in this series and to support our goal of promoting youth participation in "big boat" racing. Special awards will be presented for youth participation in both crewing and skippering.

1 RULES

1.1 The series will be governed by *The Racing Rules of Sailing* (RRS) including the US Sailing prescriptions; applicable class and rating rules; the SYC General Sailing Instructions (GSI); and this Notice of Race (NOR). When there is a conflict between rules, succeeding documents in this list shall govern. <u>This alters RRS 63.7</u>.

1.2 <u>RRS 44.1, 52, 63.7, and A9 are altered</u> <u>herein</u>.

1.3 Powered winches are allowed in all divisions. <u>This alters RRS 52.</u>

2 ELIGIBILITY and CLASS BREAKS

2.1 Each yacht shall have a valid GYA-PHRF monohull rating certificate or a temporary rating assigned by the Organizing Authority. Assigned ratings will not be grounds for redress.

2.2 There will be SPINNAKER and NON-SPINNAKER divisions. Class breaks will be determined as entries warrant.

2.3 The SCRATCH SHEET will be distributed prior to the first series event. The OA shall have the final determination on all class breaks and assignments.

3 ENTRY and FEES

Entry in the series may be made online via the SYC web site and Regatta Network. There is no entry fee.

4 COURSES

4.1 The courses are expected to be long reaches along the lakeshore to Mark J and back, however, the RC may set alternate courses at their discretion.

4.2 If the course includes Mark J, then the offset mark "Baby J", located approximately 100 yards north of Mark J, shall also be rounded to port, although it will not be listed in the course designation. If either Mark J or Baby J is missing, yachts shall round only the remaining mark.

5 SERIES SCHEDULE

Date	Day	Start	Race
May 30	Wed	1900	#1
June 6	Wed	1900	#2
June 13	Wed	1900	#3
June 20	Wed	1900	#4
June 27	Wed	1900	#5
July 4	Wed	1900	Make Up

6 SCORING & PRIZES

6.1 No scores will be excluded. One completed race constitutes a series.

6.2 Yachts scored as DNC will receive points equal to the number of boats that came to the starting area for that race plus two (2) points. <u>This alters RRS A9.</u>

6.3 Daily prizes will be awarded in each class to the highest-placing eligible skipper or their crew present at the post-race gathering. Overall series prizes will be awarded at the annual SYC Awards Night.

6.4 Special YOUTH PRIZES will be awarded as determined by the OA.

7 PENALTIES AND PROTESTS

RRS Appendix V1 (One-Turn Penalty outside the zone) and V2 (30% penalty before the hearing) shall apply. <u>This alters RRS 44.1.</u>

8 DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY

Competitors participate in the series entirely at their own risk. See RRS 4, Decision to Race. The organizing authority will not accept any liability for material damage, personal injury or death sustained in conjunction with a competitor's participation in the series.