



**Towne Harbour Association, Inc.
Board of Directors
Canandaigua, NY 14424**

AIR CONDITIONER SURROUND DESIGN GUIDELINES

ADOPTED by Towne Harbour Association, Inc., Board of Directors 01/24/2023; amended 04/01/2024

Background:

- Many air conditioner surrounds have been removed due to their poor condition. Painting surrounds is an unnecessary building expense.
- There have been several professional installers of air conditioning units that have stated that no surround is preferred, as it may impede air flow around the unit, needed for efficient operation. One went on to say that a confining surround may invalidate the unit's warranty.

Recognizing such, Towne Harbour Island's BOD has voted to confirm the recommendation made by the Architectural Committee in 2017 and the Building Committee in 2024, as follows:

- The HOA will no longer paint wooden surrounds. Once existing enclosures have deteriorated to the point where they are unsightly OR if they interfere with THI maintenance projects **as determined by the Building Committee**, homeowners will be advised that they will be removed at HOA expense and not replaced.

Be advised that, at any time:

- Homeowners may remove wooden surrounds themselves; no variance required.
- Homeowners may request the Building Committee remove the surround at no cost to the homeowner; no variance required.

Once a wooden surround is removed by the homeowner or the HOA, it is the homeowner's responsibility to ensure an aesthetically pleasing appearance for the unit. This may include a new base, at homeowner's cost. Homeowner's may, at their expense:

- Put nothing around the air conditioner unit.
- Put plants/shrubs around the air conditioner unit; Landscape Committee variance required.
