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INTRODUCED BY: BRIAN A. FABRE, CHAIRMAN

CONTRACT/FINANCE AND ADMINISTRATIVE COMMITTEE

RESOLUTION NO. 4849

A resolution to establish a Policy to have a Sheriff's Deputy present at all St. Charles Parish Council Meetings.

WHEREAS, a Sheriff's Deputy has been monitoring the activities of Parish Council Meetings and providing assistance to the Council Chairman when necessary to quiet disturbances; and,

WHEREAS, very often, however, tensions rise when issues are emotional and action by citizens or members of the audience become unpredictable; and,

WHEREAS, behavior exhibited recently is indicative of aggressive, angry and even hostile personalities; and,

WHEREAS, the members of the St. Charles Parish Council feel it is imperative to take precautionary steps to protect all persons in attendance at Parish Council Meetings by implementing requirements and safeguards; and,

WHEREAS, on July 25, 2000, the Contract/Finance and Administrative Committee recommended that a Policy be adopted to require that a Deputy be present at all Parish Council Meetings.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, THAT WE, THE MEMBERS OF THE ST. CHARLES PARISH COUNCIL, do hereby establish a Policy of the St. Charles Parish Council to have a St. Charles Parish Sheriff's Deputy present at all Parish Council Meetings, beginning one-half hour prior to the scheduled meeting time and ending one-half hour after the meeting adjourns.

The foregoing resolution having been submitted to a vote, the vote thereon was as follows:

YEAS: RAMCHANDRAN, FAUCHEUX, HILAIRE, FABRE, ABADIE, AUTHEMENT, BLACK, MINNICH

NAYS: NONE

ABSENT: MARINO

And the resolution was declared adopted this 9th day of October, 2000, to become effective five (5) days after publication in the Official Journal.

Deputy present at PC Meetings

CHAIRMAN: [Signature]

Acting SECRETARY: [Signature]

DLVD/PARISH PRESIDENT: 10-10-00

APPROVED: DISAPPROVED:

PARISH PRESIDENT: [Signature]

Acting RETD/SECRETARY: 10-11-00

AT: 3:30 PM RECD BY: NB