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**INTRODUCED BY: MATTHEW JEWELL, PARISH PRESIDENT
(BOND COUNSEL)**

RESOLUTION NO. 6512

A resolution providing for canvassing the returns and declaring the results of the special election held in the Parish of St. Charles, State of Louisiana, on Saturday, August 15, 2020, to authorize the renewal of special taxes (911 renewal, Road Lighting renewal, Library continuation) therein.

BE IT RESOLVED by the St. Charles Parish Council (the "Governing Authority"), acting as the governing authority of the Parish of St. Charles, State of Louisiana (the "Parish"), that:

SECTION 1. Canvass. This Governing Authority does now proceed in open and public session to examine the official tabulations of votes cast at the special election held in the Parish of St. Charles, State of Louisiana, on SATURDAY, AUGUST 15, 2020 (the "Election"), to authorize the renewal of special taxes therein pursuant to the following propositions (the "Propositions"):

**PROPOSITION NO. 1 OF 3
(911 MILLAGE RENEWAL)**

Shall the Parish of St. Charles, State of Louisiana (the "Parish"), continue to levy a one (1) mill tax on all property subject to taxation in said Parish (an estimated \$1,500,000 reasonably expected at this time to be collected from the levy of the tax for an entire year), for a period of ten (10) years, beginning with the year 2021 and ending with the year 2030, for the purpose of improving, maintaining and/or operating public buildings of the Parish and acquiring, constructing, improving, maintaining and/or operating a 911 emergency telephone system (including the payment of necessary dispatch personnel)?

**PROPOSITION NO. 2 OF 3
(ROAD LIGHTING MILLAGE RENEWAL)**

Shall the Parish of St. Charles, State of Louisiana (the "Parish"), continue to levy a one and one hundredths (1.01) mills tax on all property subject to taxation in said Parish (an estimated \$1,500,000 reasonably expected at this time to be collected from the levy of the tax for an entire year), for a period of ten (10) years, beginning with the year 2021 and ending with the year 2030, for the purpose of providing and maintaining electric lights on the streets, roads, highways, alleys and public places of said Parish?

**PROPOSITION NO. 3 OF 3
(LIBRARY MILLAGE CONTINUATION)**

Shall the Parish of St. Charles, State of Louisiana (the "Parish"), continue to levy a four and fifty-three hundredths (4.53) mills tax on all property subject to taxation in said Parish (an estimated \$7,500,000 reasonably expected at this time to be collected from the levy of the tax for an entire year), for a period of ten (10) years, beginning with the year 2021 and ending with the year 2030, for the purpose of maintaining, operating, constructing, improving and supporting public libraries of said Parish, said millage to represent a three hundredths (.03) of a mill increase (due to reappraisal) over the 4.50 mills tax authorized to be levied through the year 2020 pursuant to an election held on October 2, 2010?

This Governing Authority does further proceed to examine and canvass the returns of the Election thereof.

SECTION 2. Election Results. According to the official certified tabulation of votes cast at said Election,

- (i) there was a total of **2,725** votes cast **IN FAVOR OF** Proposition No. 1 and a total of **986** votes cast **AGAINST** Proposition No. 1, resulting in a majority of **1,739** votes cast **IN FAVOR OF** Proposition No. 1;
- (ii) there was a total of **2,747** votes cast **IN FAVOR OF** Proposition No. 2 and a total of **967** votes cast **AGAINST** Proposition No. 2, resulting in a majority of **1,780** votes cast **IN FAVOR OF** Proposition No. 2; and
- (iii) there was a total of **2,438** votes cast **IN FAVOR OF** Proposition No. 3 and a total of **1,272** votes cast **AGAINST** Proposition No. 3, resulting in a majority of **1,166** votes cast **IN FAVOR OF** Proposition No. 3.

The Propositions were therefore duly **CARRIED** by a majority of the votes cast by the qualified electors voting at the Election.

SECTION 3. Promulgation of Election Result. The results of said election shall be promulgated by publication in the manner provided by law, after receipt from the Secretary of State's office of the actual costs of the election, as required by Act 205 of the Regular Session of the Legislature of Louisiana for the year 2019.

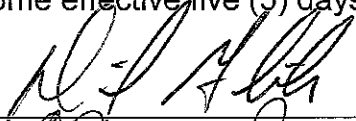
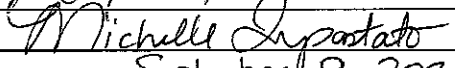
SECTION 4. Declaration. The foregoing results of the Election are hereby declared by this Governing Authority and shall be published as required by law.

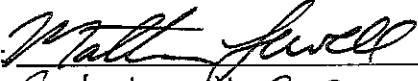

SECTION 5. Procès Verbal. A *Procès Verbal* of the canvass of the returns of the Election shall be made and a certified copy thereof shall be forwarded to the Secretary of State, Baton Rouge, Louisiana, who shall record the same in his office; another certified copy thereof shall be forwarded to the Clerk of Court and *Ex-Officio* Recorder of Mortgages in and for the Parish of St. Charles, who shall record the same in the Mortgage Records of said Parish; and another copy thereof shall be retained in the archives of this Governing Authority.

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

YEAS: FONSECA, DARENSBOURG GORDON, CLULEE, GIBBS, DUFRENE,
BELLOCK, FISHER, FISHER-PERRIER
NAYS: NONE
ABSENT: NONE

And the resolution was declared adopted on this, the 8th day of September, 2020, to become effective five (5) days after publication in the Official Journal.

CHAIRMAN: 
SECRETARY: 
DLVD/PARISH PRESIDENT: September 9, 2020
APPROVED: _____ DISAPPROVED: _____

PARISH PRESIDENT: 
RETD/SECRETARY: September 11, 2020
AT: 12:37 pm RECD BY: 

PROCÈS VERBAL OF THE CANVASS OF THE VOTES CAST AT THE SPECIAL ELECTION HELD IN THE PARISH OF ST. CHARLES, STATE OF LOUISIANA, ON SATURDAY, AUGUST 15, 2020.

BE IT KNOWN AND REMEMBERED that on Tuesday, September 8, 2020, at 6:00 p.m., at its regular meeting place, the St. Charles Parish Courthouse, 15045 River Road, Hahnville, Louisiana, the St. Charles Parish Council (the "Governing Authority"), acting as the governing authority of the Parish of St. Charles, State of Louisiana (the "Parish"), and being the authority ordering the special election held therein on Saturday, August 15, 2020, with the following members present:

Fonseca, Darenbourg Gordon, Clulee, Gibbs,
Dufrene, Bellock, Fisher, ~~Fisher~~ Perrier

There being absent: none;

did, in open and public session, examine the official certified tabulations of votes cast at the said election, and did examine and canvass the returns of the said election, there having been submitted at said election the following propositions, to wit:

PROPOSITION NO. 1 OF 3
(911 MILLAGE RENEWAL)

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There was found by said count and canvass that (i) there was a total of 2,725 votes cast **IN FAVOR OF** Proposition No. 1 and a total of 986 votes cast **AGAINST** Proposition No. 1, as hereinabove set forth, and that there was a majority of 1,739 votes cast **IN FAVOR OF** Proposition No. 1 as hereinabove set forth, (ii) there was a total of 2,747 votes cast **IN FAVOR OF** Proposition No. 2 and a total of 967 votes cast **AGAINST** Proposition No. 2, as hereinabove set forth, and that there was a majority of 1,780 votes cast **IN FAVOR OF** Proposition No. 2 as hereinabove set forth and (iii) there was a total of 2,438 votes cast **IN FAVOR OF** Proposition No. 3 and a total of 1,272 votes cast **AGAINST** Proposition No. 3, as hereinabove set forth, and that there was a majority of 1,166 votes cast **IN FAVOR OF** Proposition No. 3 as hereinabove set forth.

Therefore, the Governing Authority did declare and proclaim and does hereby declare and proclaim in open and public session that the Propositions as hereinabove set forth were duly **CARRIED** by a majority of the votes cast by the qualified electors voting at the said special election held in the Parish on Saturday, August 15, 2020.

Results by precinct are available from the Secretary of this Governing Authority during regular business hours or via the Louisiana Secretary of State's website (voterportal.sos.la.gov).

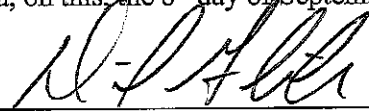
Exhibit "A" attached hereto and made a part of this *Procès Verbal* is a copy of the Notice of Special Election and proof of publication thereof.

THUS DONE AND SIGNED at Hahnville, Louisiana, on this, the 8th day of September, 2020.

ATTEST:



Secretary



Chairman

NOTICE OF SPECIAL ELECTION

Pursuant to the provisions of a resolution adopted by the St. Charles Parish Council (the "Governing Authority"), acting as the governing authority of the Parish of St. Charles, State of Louisiana (the "Parish"), on February 17, 2020, NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that a special election will be held within the Parish on **SATURDAY, MAY 9, 2020**, and that at the said election there will be submitted to all registered voters in the Parish qualified and entitled to vote at the said election under the Constitution and Laws of the State of Louisiana and the Constitution of the United States, the following proposition, to-wit:

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Said special election will be held at each and every polling place in the Parish, which polls will open at seven o'clock (7:00) a.m. and close at eight o'clock (8:00) p.m., in accordance with the provisions of La. R.S. 18:541.

The polling places for the precincts are hereby designated as the polling places at which to hold the said election, and the Commissioners-in-Charge and Commissioners, respectively, shall be those persons designated according to law.

The estimated cost of this election as determined by the Secretary of State based upon the provisions of Chapter 8-A of Title 18 and actual costs of similar elections is \$55,000.

Notice is further given that a portion of the monies collected from the taxes described in the Propositions shall be remitted to certain state and statewide retirement systems in the manner required by law.

The said special election will be held in accordance with the applicable provisions of Chapter 5 and Chapter 6-A of Title 18 of the Louisiana Revised Statutes of 1950, as amended, and other constitutional and statutory authority, and the officers appointed to hold the said election, as provided in this Notice of Special Election, or such substitutes therefor as may be selected and designated in accordance with La. R.S. 18:1287, will make due returns thereof to said Governing Authority, and NOTICE IS HEREBY FURTHER GIVEN that the Governing Authority will meet at its regular meeting place, the St. Charles Parish Courthouse, 15045 River Road, Hahnville, Louisiana, on **MONDAY, JUNE 15, 2020**, at **SIX O'CLOCK (6:00) P.M.**, and shall then and there in open and public session proceed to examine and canvass the returns and declare the result of the said special election. All registered voters of the Parish are entitled to vote at said special election and voting machines will be used.

THUS DONE AND SIGNED at Hahnville Louisiana, on this, the 17th day of February, 2020.

ATTEST:

/s/ Dick Gibbs

Chairman


/s/ Michelle Impastato

Secretary

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BEFORE ME, THE UNDERSIGNED AUTHORITY, PERSONALLY CAME AND APPEARED JUANITA O. GUIDRY WHO, BEING DULY SWORN BY ME, DID DEPOSE AND SAY: THAT SHE IS LEGAL MANAGER OF THE ST. CHARLES HERALD-GUIDE, BEING A NEWSPAPER OF GENERAL CIRCULATION IN THE PARISH OF ST. CHARLES, STATE OF LOUISIANA, PUBLISHED WEEKLY IN BOUTTE, LOUISIANA.

Said notice was placed by the St. Charles Parish Council, giving Notice of Special Election which will be held on Saturday, May 9, 2020 for the following propositions: Proposition No. 1 of 3—911 Millage Renewal; Proposition No. 2 of 3—Road Lighting Millage Renewal and Proposition No. 3 of 3—Library Millage Continuation. Notice was published in the March 5, 12, 19 and 26, 2020 issues and is attached.


Juanita O. Guidry

SWORN TO AND SUBSCRIBED
BEFORE ME, NOTARY PUBLIC,
ST CHARLES PARISH, BOUTTE, LOUISIANA

26th DAY OF March, 2020



R. Dean Church, Jr. #20750

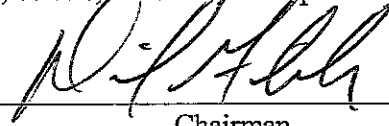
My commission expires at death

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PROCLAMATION

I, the undersigned Chairman of the St. Charles Parish Council, the governing authority of the Parish of St. Charles, State of Louisiana (the "Parish"), do hereby declare, proclaim and announce that the propositions submitted at the special election held in the Parish on Saturday, August 15, 2020, were CARRIED by a majority of the votes cast at the said special election, all as described and set out in the above *Procès Verbal*.

THUS DONE AND SIGNED at Hahnville, Louisiana, on this, the 8th day of September, 2020.



Chairman

STATE OF LOUISIANA

PARISH OF ST. CHARLES

I, the undersigned Secretary of the St. Charles Parish Council (the "Governing Authority"), the governing authority of the Parish of St. Charles, State of Louisiana (the "Parish"), do hereby certify that the foregoing pages constitute a true and correct copy of the proceedings and *Procès Verbal* made by said Governing Authority on September 8, 2020, providing for canvassing the returns and declaring the results of the special election held in the Parish on August 15, 2020, to authorize the renewal of special taxes therein.

IN FAITH WHEREOF, witness my official signature at Hahnville, Louisiana, on this, the 8th day of September, 2020.


Secretary