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INTRODUCED BY: ALBERT D. LAQUE, PARISH PRESIDENT

RESOLUTION NO. 5318

A resolution reaffirming the Parish of St. Charles' confidence in and support of the Lafourche Basin Levee District and the continued construction of the West Bank Hurricane Protection Project in the St. Charles Parish, along with the continued investigation and the study of the Donaldsonville to the Gulf of Mexico Feasibility Study and proposed Hurricane Project.

WHEREAS, the Parish of St. Charles has a fundamental interest in protecting its residents, businesses and the property from flooding caused by hurricanes and tropical storms; and,

WHEREAS, the Parish of Charles has partnered with the Lafourche Basin Levee District and supports its work to provide critical hurricane protection as well as protection from the overflow of the Mississippi River Levees for the residents and business on the West Bank of St. Charles Parish and said Parish will continue in its partnership and in support of the Lafourche Basin Levee District with regards to this project and its continued investigations of additional flood control projects; and,

WHEREAS, due to the catastrophic events following Hurricane Katrina and the urgency in providing immediate and greater levels of flood protection to the citizens of St. Charles Parish, there are a number of legislative members that are of the opinion that this immediate and critical level of protection can be more readily achieved through the consolidated New Orleans area levee board and we discourage the inclusion of the Lafourche Basin Levee District in such a consolidation as it would have a detrimental and adverse effect upon flood control that is critical to the protection of the citizens, homes, and businesses in our community.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, THAT WE, THE MEMBERS OF THE ST. CHARLES PARISH COUNCIL, hereby reaffirm our partnering with the Lafourche Basin Levee District on the West Bank Hurricane Levee Project, the Donaldsonville to the Gulf of Mexico Feasibility Study and pledge our continued support for the Lafourche Basin Levee District in its mission of providing for the flood control needs of the citizens of the West Bank and its continued investigations and study of additional flood control projects.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that we strongly object to its inclusion in a consolidation New Orleans area levee District.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that a copy of this resolution be furnished to the Honorable Kathleen B. Blanco, Governor, State of Louisiana and the local delegation of the Louisiana Legislature.

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

YEAS: MARINO, FAUCHEUX, HILAIRE, RAMCHANDRAN, WALLS, BLACK, DUHE, MINNICH
NAYS: NONE
ABSENT: FABRE

And the resolution was declared adopted this 23rd day of January, 2006, to become effective five (5) days after publication in the Official Journal.

Acting CHAIRMAN: April Black
SECRETARY: Barbara Green Tucker
DLVD/PARISH PRESIDENT: January 24, 2006
APPROVED: _____ DISAPPROVED: _____

PARISH PRESIDENT: Albert D. Laque
RETD/SECRETARY: January 25, 2006
AT: 12:10 pm RECD BY: [Signature]