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INTRODUCED BY: MATTHEW JEWELL, PARISH PRESIDENT (GRANTS OFFICE)

RESOLUTION NO.

6696

A resolution approving and authorizing St. Charles Parish to submit a grant application to the United States Department of Agriculture's Rural Housing Service Fiscal Year (FY) 2023 Housing Preservation Grant Program.

- WHEREAS, the Rural Housing Service, an agency within the United States Department of Agriculture Rural Development (USDA) is accepting grant applications for the FY2023 Housing Preservation Grant Program opportunity; and,
- WHEREAS, St. Charles Parish established a local Housing Preservation Grant Program with funds awarded from the FY 2017 Housing Preservation Grant opportunity and continued the local program with funds received from the USDA Housing Preservation Grant Program each year as awarded since; and,
- WHEREAS, through the local Housing Preservation Grant Program, the Department of Community Services has provided repairs and rehabilitation to 56 dwellings within St. Charles Parish owned and occupied by low and very low-income residents; and,
- WHEREAS, St. Charles Parish is applying for FY2023 Housing Preservation Grant funding to assist in the continuation of the local Housing Preservation Grant Program; and,
- WHEREAS, the Rural Housing Service application requires support from the local governing body to secure approval and authorization for the application for grant funding.
- NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, THAT WE, THE MEMBERS OF THE ST. CHARLES PARISH COUNCIL, do hereby approve and authorize St. Charles Parish to submit a grant application to the United States Department of Agriculture's Rural Housing Service FY2023 Housing Preservation Grant Program.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Parish President is hereby authorized to execute said application and to act on behalf of St. Charles Parish in all matters pertaining to this project and subsequent grant award.

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

YEAS: BILLINGS, FONSECA, DARENSBOURG GORDON, CLULEE, GIBBS,

DUFRENE, BELLOCK, FISHER

NAYS: NONE

ABSENT: FISHER-CORMIER

And the resolution was declared adopted this <u>22nd</u> day of <u>May</u>, 2023, to become effective five (5) days after publication in the Official Journal.