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Councilman Larry Cochran Council Chairman St. Charles Parish Council Post Office Box 302 Hahnville, LA 70057

Re: Veto of Ordinance No. 12-7-9

Dear Chairman Cochran,

I am writing to advise that I have vetoed Ordinance No. 12-7-9 adopted by the St. Charles Parish Council on July 23, 2012. The Ordinance established a Complainant Non-Disclosure requirement in the Parish Code. I feel that this requirement, along with the administrative procedures included therein, are over burdensome on our employees and unnecessary. Requiring citizens to make a formal public records request to receive this information, which is readily available, and which the public is entitled to under the Louisiana Public Records Law, is contrary to the transparency my Administration has promoted.

Therefore, I respectfully request that the Council sustain my veto of Ordinance No. 12-7-9.

Sincerely,

V. J. St. Pierre, Jr. Parish President