## CERTIFICATE AND APPROVAL OF THE PARISH PRESIDENT OF THE PARISH OF ST. CHARLES, STATE OF LOUISIANA

## \$920,000

PARISH OF St. CHARLES, STATE OF LOUISIANA SALES TAX REVENUE BONDS, SERIES 2007

WHEREAS, Section 147(f) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended (the "Code") requires, in connection with the issuance of bonds by entities such as the Parish of St. Charles, State of Louisiana (the "Parish") that the bonds be approved by the chief elected executive officer of the governmental unit on behalf of which such obligation was issued after a public hearing following reasonable notice; and

WHEREAS, in accordance with said rules, regulations and laws, the St. Charles Parish Council (the "Council") authorized the publication of a notice of public hearing which notice was published in the *St. Charles Herald-Guide* in a manner sufficient to inform the public and potential competitors of the subject, date and place of such public hearing; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to the terms of said notice, the designee of the Parish President held a public hearing on behalf of the Parish on June 4, 2007, at which time no objections were raised by anyone present at the hearing authorizing the issuance of the captioned bonds (the "Bonds") for the purpose of acquiring buildings, machinery and equipment, including both real and personal property, to be used in giving fire protection to the property in the Parish, for providing a reserve for the Bonds, and paying the issuance costs; The Bond proceeds will be used mainly to pay the cost of constructing a building next to the existing fire department, 16960 Hwy 90, Des Allemands, LA 70030, consisting of a metal and brick construction, to be used as an office and meeting room for the Des Allemands Fire Department; and

WHEREAS, in accordance with the requirements of the Code, I, as Parish President and chief elected executive officer of the Parish, desire to approve the issuance of the Bonds in one or more series for the purposes described above;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, ALBERT D. LAQUE, acting as Parish President and chief elected executive officer of the Parish, hereby approve the issuance of the Bonds by the Parish for the purposes described herein.

IN FAITH WHEREOF, witness my signature on this, the 4th day of June, 2007.

PARISH OF ST. CHARLES, STATE OF LOUISIANA

| By: |                  |  |
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|     | Albert D. Laque  |  |
|     | Parish President |  |