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**INTRODUCED BY: V.J. ST. PIERRE, JR., PARISH PRESIDENT
(DEPARTMENT OF PLANNING AND ZONING)**

RESOLUTION NO. 5692

A resolution endorsing the St. Charles Parish 2030 Comprehensive Plan Vision Statement.

WHEREAS, The Comprehensive Land Use Plan, St. Charles 2030: Bridge to the Future, was initiated in May 2009; and,

WHEREAS, A Steering Committee comprised of parish residents and stakeholders was formed to lead the planning process; and,

WHEREAS, The initial step in the planning process was to seek broad public input on the long term vision for St. Charles Parish; and,

WHEREAS, Public input was sought through 10 public forums, meetings with students, and through on-line participation yielding responses from roughly 534 individuals; and,

WHEREAS, All of the public input was considered in drafting the vision statement; and,

WHEREAS, The Vision Statement represents the Parish's shared destination: the future that we, as a community, aspire to reach through the implementation of goals, strategies and actions to be framed in the Comprehensive Plan; and,

WHEREAS, At their October 20, 2009 meeting, the Steering Committee approved the St. Charles 2030 Vision Statement.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, THAT WE, THE MEMBERS OF THE ST. CHARLES PARISH COUNCIL, do hereby endorse the St. Charles 2030: Bridge to the Future Vision Statement as follows:

In 2030, St. Charles Parish is a vibrant, friendly community, proud of its heritage and surrounded by unspoiled nature. We are a community that has taken advantage of its strategic location, and wisely managed growth and change to achieve:

- A strong, diversified economy that offers ample, challenging job opportunities for all, allowing the Parish to retain its talented youth;
- A "small-town" way of life, but enriched with a full array of educational, cultural and recreational opportunities;
- A sound infrastructure system that offers reliable protection from natural disaster, provides for optimum mobility in a variety of modes of travel, and supports sound growth;
- A balanced development pattern that offers a range of housing choices in livable neighborhoods, and commercial and civic activities and services that are needed by our resident population;
- A character of development that reflects the value we place on our scenic natural beauty and our culture, heritage and community identity; and
- A community of educated, engaged and caring citizens with diverse backgrounds, but sharing a common identity and commitment to serve.

This Vision of St. Charles Parish in the year 2030 is built around five major themes:

- Building on a Solid Foundation: Basic Infrastructure and Safety
- Economic Strengthening and Diversification
- Framework for Sustainable Growth
- Full Array of Public Services and Facilities
- Enhancing Community Character, Shared Identity and Connectedness

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

YEAS: SCHEXNAYDRE, AUTHEMENT, RAYMOND, TASTET, BENEDETTO, HOGAN, COCHRAN, LAMBERT, NUSS

NAYS: NONE

ABSENT: NONE

And the resolution was declared adopted this 16th day of November, 2009, to become effective five (5) days after publication in the Official Journal.

CHAIRMAN: [Signature]
 SECRETARY: [Signature]
 DLVD/PARISH PRESIDENT: November 17, 2009
 APPROVED: _____ DISAPPROVED: _____

PARISH PRESIDENT: [Signature]
 RETD/SECRETARY: November 17, 2009
 AT: 2:15pm RECD BY: BGT/v6