<u> 2021-0282</u>

INTRODUCED BY: ST. CHARLES PARISH COUNCIL

MATTHEW JEWELL, PARISH PRESIDENT

RESOLUTION NO.

6590

A resolution supporting the efforts and authorizing the execution of correspondence to Representatives expressing support to quickly pass H.R. 5735, the Bipartisan State, Local, Tribal, and Territorial Fiscal Recovery, Infrastructure, and Disaster Relief Flexibility Act (S. 3011), which will assist in the recovery from the devastating effects of COVID-19 within our local community.

WHEREAS.

the State, Local, Tribal, and Territorial Fiscal Recovery, Infrastructure, and Disaster Relief Flexibility Act (S. 3011), represents a bipartisan compromise forged by Senators Cornyn and Padilla that unanimously passed the U.S. Senate and would provide St. Charles Parish with the flexibility to invest a portion of our American Rescue Plan Act's (ARPA) Coronavirus State and Local Fiscal Recovery Funds (Recovery Funds) in transportation, infrastructure and government services; and,

WHEREAS,

this flexibility is crucial to St. Charles Parish as we struggle to make necessary investments within our community in compliance with the existing guidance for these funds; and,

WHEREAS,

St. Charles Parish is working to swiftly invest Recovery Funds using ARPA Recovery Funds on activities currently eligible under U.S. Treasury's Interim Final Rule; and,

WHEREAS,

because of some current prohibitions on the use of these funds, we have been limited in our ability to invest into projects and programs that would promote economic recovery; and,

WHEREAS,

under S. 3011, St. Charles Parish would be allowed to use funds for transportation, infrastructure, and economic development projects for government services; and,

WHEREAS,

St. Charles Parish believes this legislation is imperative to leverage the full benefits of the ARPA's historic investments.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, THAT WE, THE MEMBERS OF THE ST. CHARLES PARISH COUNCIL, do hereby support the efforts and authorize the execution of correspondence to Representatives expressing support to quickly pass H.R. 5735, the Bipartisan State, Local, Tribal, and Territorial Fiscal Recovery, Infrastructure, and Disaster Relief Flexibility Act (S. 3011), which will assist in the recovery from the devastating effects of COVID-19 within our local community.

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, FISHER-PERRIER

NAYS: ABSENT: NONE NONE

And the resolution was declared adopted this <u>lst</u> day of <u>November</u>, 2021, to become effective five (5) days after publication in the Official Journal.

CHAIRMAN: Marily Dellact
SECRETARY: Wichelle Protato
DLVD/PARISH PRESIDENT: November 2, 2021
APPROVED: DISAPPROVED:
PARISH PRESIDENT: Movember 2, 2021
AT: 2:10 pm RECD BY: From Secretary: November 2, 2021