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INTRODUCED BY: PAUL J. HOGAN, COUNCILMAN, DISTRICT IV
CAROLYN K. SCHEXNAYDRE, COUNCILWOMAN-AT-LARGE, DIVISION A
TERRY AUTHEMENT, COUNCILMAN-AT-LARGE, DIVISION B

RESOLUTION NO. 5506

A resolution requesting the Parish President to urgently take the necessary steps needed to permit, design, and construct the Bayou Des Allemands Floodwall – Phase I located between the Sunset Drainage District Levee and the Southern Pacific Railroad in Des Allemands, St. Charles Parish, Louisiana

- WHEREAS, this area along Bayou Des Allemands is not part of the Sunset Drainage District and is the responsibility of St. Charles Parish; and,
- WHEREAS, this unprotected area along Bayou Des Allemands puts the Sunset Drainage District residents and businesses and those in Des Allemands located south of the Southern Pacific Railroad which are not in the Sunset Drainage District, at a severe risk of flooding during minor tropical storm events; and,
- WHEREAS, over 1,400 residents of the Sunset Drainage District signed a petition in 2005 asking St Charles Parish to provide the necessary funding to establish an adequate level of flood protection to the District; and,
- WHEREAS, the Parish currently has the necessary funds in the General Fund or can transfer funds out of the Capital Outlay portion of the Roads and Drainage Fund to design and build the project; and,
- WHEREAS, the construction of this floodwall would immediately provide protection to the communities of Des Allemands, Paradis, and the Bayou Gauche area during storm events that would flood most of the West Bank; and,
- WHEREAS, this floodwall is part of the West Bank Hurricane Protection Plan and is needed to ultimately protect most residents on the West Bank of St. Charles Parish.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, THAT WE, THE MEMBERS OF THE ST. CHARLES PARISH COUNCIL, do hereby request the Parish President to urgently take the necessary steps needed to permit, design, and construct the Bayou Des Allemands Floodwall – Phase I located between the Sunset Drainage District Levee and the Southern Pacific Railroad in Des Allemands, St. Charles Parish, Louisiana

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the construction be that of a tar-coated steel sheetpile floodwall with a small reinforced concrete cap located at the top of the floodwall.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a flood-proof opening be provided in the floodwall on the property of each property owner so as to provide continued access to the bayou

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the permit applications provide for the allowance for the future capping of the entire exposed floodwall with a concrete cap at a later date should it be desired.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Sunset Drainage District and the Bayou Gauche Citizens Action Committee be provided a copy of this resolution.

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 11th day of February, 2008, to become effective five (5) days after publication in the Official Journal.

RESOL - DA FLOODWALL - PHASE I

CHAIRMAN: [Signature]
 SECRETARY [Signature]
 DLVD/PARISH PRESIDENT February 12, 2008
 APPROVED [Signature] DISAPPROVED: _____

PARISH PRESIDENT [Signature]
 RETD/SECRETARY: February 14, 2008
 AT 8:20 am RECD BY [Signature]