

2006-0031

INTRODUCED BY: ALBERT D. LAQUE, PARISH PRESIDENT

RESOLUTION NO. _5316

A resolution, reaffirming the Parish of St. Charles' confidence in and support of the Pontchartrain Levee District and the continued construction of the Lake Pontchartrain, LA and Vicinity Hurricane Protection Project in St. Charles Parish, along with the continued investigation and study of additional flood control measures including the St. Charles Urban Flood Control Project.

WHEREAS, the Parish of St. Charles has a fundamental interest in protecting its residents, businesses and their property from flooding caused by hurricanes and tropical storms; and,

WHEREAS, the Parish of St. Charles has partnered with the Pontchartrain Levee District and supports its work to provide critical hurricane protection for the residents and businesses on the east bank of St. Charles Parish between Airline Highway and the Mississippi River and said Parish will continue in its partnership and in support of the Pontchartrain Levee District with regard to this project and its continued investigation of additional flood control projects; and,

WHEREAS, due to the catastrophic events following Hurricane Katrina and the urgency in providing immediate and greater levels of flood protection to the citizens of St. Charles Parish, there are a number of legislative members that are of the opinion that this immediate and critical level of protection can be more readily achieved through the consolidated New Orleans area levee board and we discourage the inclusion of the Pontchartrain Levee District in such a consolidation as it would have a detrimental and adverse effect upon flood control that is critical to the protection of the citizens, homes and businesses in our community.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, THAT WE THE MEMBERS OF THE ST. CHARLES PARISH COUNCIL, does hereby reaffirm our partnering with the Pontchartrain Levee District on the Lake Pontchartrain, LA and Vicinity Hurricane Protection Levee Project and pledge our continued support for the Pontchartrain Levee District in its mission of providing for the flood control needs of the citizens of the east bank and its continued investigation and study of additional flood control projects and we strongly object to its inclusion in a consolidation New Orleans area levee board.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a copy of this resolution be furnished to the Honorable Kathleen B. Blanco, Governor, State of Louisiana, and the local delegation of the Louisiana Legislature.

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

YEAS:

MARINO, FAUCHEUX, HILAIRE, FABRE, RAMCHANDRAN, WALLS,

BLACK, DUHE

NAYS:

NONE

ABSENT: MINNICH

And the resolution was declared adopted this <u>9±h</u> day of <u>January</u>, 2006, to become effective five (5) days after publication in the Official Journal.

CHAIRMAN: Dran Ce. Col.

SECRETARY: Bules Jack Jucker

DLVD/PARISH PRESIDENT: January 10, 2006

PARISH PRESIDENT: January 11, 2006

AT: 10:10 AM REED BY: Lot