

NOTICE OF SPECIAL ELECTION

Pursuant to the provisions of a resolution adopted by the St. Charles Parish Council (the "Governing Authority"), acting as the governing authority of the Parish of St. Charles, State of Louisiana (the "Parish"), on June 19, 2023, NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that a special election will be held within the Parish on **SATURDAY, OCTOBER 14, 2023**, and that at the said election there will be submitted to all registered voters in the Parish qualified and entitled to vote at the said election under the Constitution and Laws of the State of Louisiana and the Constitution of the United States, the following propositions, to-wit:

CHARTER AMENDMENT PROPOSITION NO. 1 OF 2

Shall Article III, Section A.2 of the St. Charles Parish Home Rule Charter be amended to read:

The members of the parish council elected at large shall receive an annual salary of \$24,000.00 and the members elected by districts shall receive an annual salary of \$19,200.00, effective January 8, 2024. The annual salaries of the parish council, as established herein, shall be adjusted by the same percentage rate as the cost of living adjustment approved for civil service employees in 2025 and each succeeding year thereafter. Each member shall receive his actual and necessary expenses incurred in the performance of his duties, within limitations established by the parish council?

CHARTER AMENDMENT PROPOSITION NO. 2 OF 2

Shall Article III, Section B.2 of the St. Charles Parish Home Rule Charter be amended to read:

The annual salary of the parish president shall be fixed at \$175,000.00, effective January 8, 2024, and may be increased by ordinance of the parish council, provided that an ordinance increasing the president's salary shall not be passed during the last year of a term and no salary increase shall become effective during the term in which the ordinance is adopted. The parish president shall be eligible for all benefits available to full-time employees of the Parish?

Said special election will be held at each and every polling place in the Parish, which polls will open at seven o'clock (7:00) a.m. and close at eight o'clock (8:00) p.m., in accordance with the provisions of La. R.S. 18:541.

The polling places for the precincts are hereby designated as the polling places at which to hold the said election, and the Commissioners-in-Charge and Commissioners, respectively, shall be those persons designated according to law.

The estimated cost of this election as determined by the Secretary of State based upon the provisions of Chapter 8-A of Title 18 and actual costs of similar elections is \$6,800.

The said special election will be held in accordance with the applicable provisions of Chapter 5 and Chapter 6-A of Title 18 of the Louisiana Revised Statutes of 1950, as amended, and other constitutional and statutory authority, and the officers appointed to hold the said election, as provided in this Notice of Special Election, or such substitutes therefor as may be selected and designated in accordance with La. R.S. 18:1287, will make due returns thereof to said Governing Authority, and **NOTICE IS HEREBY FURTHER GIVEN** that the Governing Authority will meet at its regular meeting place, the St. Charles Parish Courthouse, 15045 River Road, Hahnville, Louisiana, on **MONDAY, NOVEMBER 6, 2023**, at **SIX O'CLOCK (6:00) P.M.**, and shall then and there in open and public session proceed to examine and canvass the returns and declare the result of the said special election. All registered voters of the Parish are entitled to vote at said special election and voting machines will be used.