

ST. TAMMANY PARISH COUNCIL

RESOLUTION

RESOLUTION COUNCIL SERIES NO: C-3718

COUNCIL SPONSOR: MR. SMITH

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RESOLUTION REQUESTING LEGISLATORS APPROVE HOUSE BILL NO. 233 INSTRUCTING THE STATE TO ACCEPT FEDERAL FUNDS AVAILABLE TO LOUISIANA THROUGH THE MEDICAID EXPANSION PROVISIONS OF THE AMERICAN AFFORDABLE CARE ACT.

WHEREAS, it is estimated that more than 400,000 residents of the State of Louisiana are living at or below the national poverty level; and

WHEREAS, the American Affordable Care Act contains provisions offering federal funds to State Governments for their expansion of Medicaid; and

WHEREAS, if the State expands Medicaid it will maximize the number of Louisianians who are covered by some form of health insurance and provide basic health coverage to the working poor, and

WHEREAS, if the State adopts the Medicaid Assistance Program the federal government will cover the full costs of the Medicaid expansion from 2014 through 2016 resulting in savings of up to \$ 142 million; and

WHEREAS, Governor Jindal’s administration has remained staunchly opposed to the expansion.

THE PARISH OF ST. TAMMANY HEREBY RESOLVES to request the State Legislature approve House Bill No. 233 requiring the secretary of DHH to take such actions as are necessary to expand Louisiana’s Medicaid eligibility standards to conform to those established by the Affordable Care Act (ACA) commencing on January 1, 2014.

THIS RESOLUTION HAVING BEEN SUBMITTED TO A VOTE, THE VOTE THEREON WAS AS FOLLOWS:

MOVED FOR ADOPTION BY: _____ SECONDED BY: _____

YEAS: _____

NAYS: _____

ABSTAIN: _____

ABSENT: _____

THIS RESOLUTION WAS DECLARED ADOPTED ON THE 2 DAY OF MAY , 2013, AT A REGULAR MEETING OF THE PARISH COUNCIL, A QUORUM OF THE MEMBERS BEING PRESENT AND VOTING.

JERRY BINDER, COUNCIL CHAIRMAN

ATTEST:

THERESA L. FORD, COUNCIL CLERK