

ST. TAMMANY PARISH COUNCIL

RESOLUTION

RESOLUTION COUNCIL SERIES NO. C-2610

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A RESOLUTION TO SUPPORT ST. TAMMANY PARISH GOVERNMENT'S APPLICATION FOR ASSISTANCE FROM THE LAND AND WATER CONSERVATION FUND FOR THE PURPOSE OF CONSTRUCTING THE GUM SWAMP BOARDWALK FOR THE GOLDFISH BAYOU BASIN INTERPRETIVE TRAIL AT CAMP SALMEN NATURE PARK.

WHEREAS, St. Tammany Parish Government ("STP") is committed to the construction of and enhancements to the Tammany Trace ("Trace") as a Recreation and Transportation Corridor;

WHEREAS, STP acquired the 106 acre Camp Salmen property in Slidell near the Trace in 2004 in order to preserve the old Boy Scout Camp as a nature park.

WHEREAS, the landscape architect of the Crosby Arboretum has surveyed and diagramed the Camp Salmen Nature Park's land form and habitat features, its drainage network, and successful evolution of the property's plant communities. From his studies, Edward Blake has created an "Interpretive Journeys" trail system, a network of strategically placed walking paths and boardwalks that link together the Camp's patterned mosaic of man-made and natural landscape features, with interpretive signs and viewing stations. Each of the four loops will provide separate educational nature-oriented themes. The Goldfish Bayou Basin Interpretive Trail includes five (5) circuits. The Tupelo Gum Swamp Circuit will include the Gum Swamp Boardwalk.

WHEREAS, this project is eligible for funding under National Parks Service Land and Water Conservation Program.

THE PARISH OF ST. TAMMANY HEREBY RESOLVES to support STP's application for assistance from the Land and Water Conservation Program to construct the Gum Bayou Boardwalk for the Goldfish Bayou Basin Interpretive Trail at Camp Salmen Nature Park.

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 _____ DAY OF _____ 2009 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