# ST. TAMMANY PARISH COUNCIL

## RESOLUTION

## RESOLUTION COUNCIL SERIES NO: C-3368

#### COUNCIL SPONSOR: MR. SMITH

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RESOLUTION REQUESTING CHARITABLE AND RELIGIOUS ORGANIZATIONS IN THE PARISH FAMILIARIZE THEMSELVES WITH THE BLOOMING TREE PROGRAM AND CONSIDER OFFERING IT ASSISTANCE.

WHEREAS, The Blooming Tree is a non-profit wellness program providing mental and emotional health support services, without fees, to the citizens of St. Tammany Parish; and

WHEREAS, its goal is to improve the quality of life for individuals with mental or emotional health illnesses through the provision of a structured day program and ongoing health support; and

WHEREAS, through the provision of a structured, professional, therapeutic, and socially based program, individuals who attend and participate in rehabilitation activities, learn new coping skills and improve their ability to function independently; and

WHEREAS, the decrease in state funding availability for mental health assistance has put a strain on the budget for The Blooming Tree to provide services to all people who are interested in, and in need of, its type of program.

THE PARISH OF ST. TAMMANY HEREBY RESOLVES to request that charitable and religious organizations consider the merits of this program and offer whatever assistance that they may be able to, whether that be in financial assistance, personnel, facilities or other support.

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

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ABSENT:

THIS RESOLUTION WAS DECLARED ADOPTED ON THE <u>5</u> DAY OF <u>APRIL</u>, 2012, AT A REGULAR MEETING OF THE PARISH COUNCIL, A QUORUM OF THE MEMBERS BEING PRESENT AND VOTING.

MARTIN W. GOULD, JR., COUNCIL CHAIRMAN

ATTEST:

THERESA L. FORD, COUNCIL CLERK