

ST. TAMMANY PARISH COUNCIL

RESOLUTION

RESOLUTION COUNCIL SERIES NO: C-4510

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RESOLUTION TO ACKNOWLEDGE THE AUTHORITY PURSUANT TO HOME RULE CHARTER SECTIONS 1-04, 1-06, 3-01 AND 3-09 FOR THE PARISH OF ST. TAMMANY, THROUGH THE OFFICE OF THE PARISH PRESIDENT, TO EXECUTE A COOPERATIVE ENDEAVOR AGREEMENT WITH THE STATE OF LOUISIANA, DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE AND FORESTRY AND ST. TAMMANY PARISH RECREATION DISTRICT NO. 1 FOR THE TRAPPING AND REMOVAL OF NUISANCE FERAL SWINE ON THE SAFE HAVEN SITE.

WHEREAS, pursuant to Article 7, Section 14(C) of the Louisiana Constitution of 1974, and related statutes, "[f]or a public purpose, the state and its political subdivisions or political corporations may engage in cooperative endeavors with each other, with the United States or its agencies, or with any public or private association, corporation or individual;" and

WHEREAS, pursuant to La. R.S. 3:751, the Louisiana Department of Agriculture and Forestry ("LDAF") is authorized to develop and administer a nuisance feral swine control program; and

WHEREAS, Louisiana's feral swine population is estimated at 500,000. Feral swine are known carriers of a number of diseases that can infect humans and livestock, including swine brucellosis, leptospirosis, salmonellosis, toxoplasmosis, sarcoptic mange, Escherichia coli-related illness, trichinosis, vesicular stomatis and classical swine fever; and

WHEREAS, according to the LSU Ag Center, in 2013, nuisance feral swine caused about \$ 53 million in damage to Louisiana crops and an additional \$ 21 million in non-production losses; and

WHEREAS, trapping nuisance feral swine is an effective way to reduce the nuisance feral swine population; and

WHEREAS, evidence of nuisance feral swine activity has been documented on the Safe Haven site and surrounding areas.

WHEREAS, the Parish of St. Tammany ("Parish") and St. Tammany Parish Recreation District No. 1 ("District") desire that LDAF provide trapping and removal services to control the population of nuisance feral swine residing on certain immovable property owned by the Parish and District.

THE PARISH OF ST. TAMMANY HEREBY RESOLVES that St. Tammany Parish Government, through the Office of the Parish President, pursuant to Home Rule Charter Sections 1-04, 1-06, 3-01 and 3-09, is authorized to enter into a Cooperative Endeavor Agreement, which meets or exceeds all requirements of Louisiana law and jurisprudence, with the State of Louisiana, Department of Agriculture and Forestry and St. Tammany Recreation District No. 1, for the trapping and removal of nuisance feral swine on the Safe Haven site and to take any and all actions necessary, including entering into all agreements or negotiations in furtherance of the actions contemplated herein.

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 4 DAY OF FEBRUARY, 2016,
AT A REGULAR MEETING OF THE PARISH COUNCIL, A QUORUM OF THE MEMBERS BEING
PRESENT AND VOTING.

MARTY DEAN, COUNCIL CHAIRMAN

ATTEST:

THERESA L. FORD, COUNCIL CLERK

Resolution Administrative Comment

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Parish seeks to enter into a Cooperative Endeavor Agreement with LDAF and the St. Tammany Parish Recreation District No. 1 to allow LDAF to provide trapping and removal services to control the population of nuisance feral swine residing on, in part, certain property owned by the Parish. LDAF will provide all funding, equipment and labor necessary to fulfill its obligations under the agreement, and no compensation will be owed by the Parish to LDAF for its nuisance feral swine control services under the agreement.