

ST. TAMMANY PARISH COUNCIL

RESOLUTION

RESOLUTION COUNCIL SERIES NO: C-4650

COUNCIL SPONSOR: MR. TOLEDANO

PROVIDED BY: COUNCIL ATTORNEY

RESOLUTION TO REQUEST THE ST. TAMMANY PARISH
LEGISLATIVE DELEGATION INTRODUCE STATE LEGISLATION
REGARDING THE LAKE PONTCHARTRAIN CAUSEWAY.

WHEREAS, the Greater New Orleans Expressway Commission was created in 1954 in order to construct, operate, and maintain the Lake Pontchartrain Causeway; and

WHEREAS, Act 875 of the 1988 Louisiana Legislature required the Huey P. Long Bridge be patrolled by Causeway Police which now costs approximately \$ 1.6 million per year; and

WHEREAS, Act 875 of 1988 of the Louisiana Legislature required the Greater New Orleans Expressway Commission to distribute funds it receives from the surplus license plate fees in the amount of \$ 50,000 each to the Parishes of St. Charles, St. John the Baptist and Tangipahoa; and

WHEREAS, Act 1227 of the 1995 Louisiana Legislature required the Greater New Orleans Expressway Commission to distribute to seven parishes the sum of \$ 50,000 per year from the tolls; and

WHEREAS, approximately \$ 2 million dollars is diverted in toll money and other revenues annually away from the maintenance, operation, and improvement of the Lake Pontchartrain Causeway based upon Louisiana Legislative Acts; and

WHEREAS, the St. Tammany Parish Council requests the St. Tammany Legislative delegation introduce state legislation mandating that the expenditure of all funds received by the Commission be exclusively used for the maintenance, operation, and improvement of the Lake Pontchartrain Causeway and that all prior legislation which is in conflict therewith be repealed.

THE PARISH OF ST. TAMMANY HEREBY RESOLVES that the St. Tammany Parish Council requests the St. Tammany Legislative delegation to introduce state legislation mandating that the expenditure of all funds received by the Commission be exclusively used for the maintenance, operation, and improvement of the Lake Pontchartrain Causeway and that all prior legislation which is in conflict therewith be repealed.

FURTHER BE IT RESOLVED, that the St. Tammany Parish Council requests the St. Tammany Legislative delegation introduce state legislation wherein any and all duties associated with the patrolling of the Huey P. Long Bridge be assumed by the Louisiana State Police or a designated local law enforcement entity other than the Causeway Police.

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 1 DAY OF SEPTEMBER , 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