

**RESOLUTION OF THE MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL  
OF THE CITY OF BAY ST. LOUIS, MISSISSIPPI  
REQUESTING THE MISSISSIPPI DEPARTMENT OF MARINE RESOURCES  
TO CREATE A “MINIMUM WAKE” ZONE  
IN THE RESIDENTIAL CANALS AND BAYOUS OF  
GARDEN ISLES IN BAY ST. LOUIS, MISSISSIPPI**

**WHEREAS**, the Mayor and City Council of the City of Bay St. Louis, Mississippi are of the opinion that “Minimum Wake” zones are critical to protecting the health safety and welfare of members of the public using local water ways, particularly in the residential areas described below, and

**WHEREAS**, it has been brought to the attention of the Mayor and City Council that certain bayous and canals have become unsafe due to increased concentration of waterfront residence resulting in increased boat traffic, and

**WHEREAS**, the City of Bay St. Louis, Mississippi, by and through its Mayor and City Council, requests the Mississippi Department of Marine Resources establish a “Minimum Wake” zone where one stretch of the minimum wake zone shall begin at the mouth of Edwards Bayou located at N30 19.893/W089 22.555 and continue to an area just north of the Bay Marina entrance being N30 19.452/W089 23.026 and shall include all residential canals and offshoots. Additionally, the “Minimum Wake” zone shall include an area beginning at the mouth of Watts Bayou at N30 19.887/W089 22.485 and ending near the end of Watts Bayou at N20 19.309/W089 22.398 and shall include all residential canals and offshoots or such area as it deems appropriate and erect signage notifying the public of the same.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDERED** by the Mayor and City Council of the City of

Bay St. Louis, Mississippi as follows, to wit:

1. The findings, conclusions and statements of fact contained in the foregoing preamble are hereby ratified and incorporated herein.
2. The Mayor and City Council of the City of Bay St. Louis, Mississippi, in the interest of protecting the Health safety and welfare of the public using the above described waterways; and (ii) protecting the natural shoreline, manmade structures such as piers and bulkheads, and other uses of the waterway in the above described waterways within Bay St. Louis respectfully requests the Mississippi Department of Marine Resource create and establish a “Minimum Wake” zone that shall have multiple starting and ending points. One stretch of the “Minimum Wake” zone shall begin at the mouth of Edwards Bayou located at N30 19.893/W089 22.555 and continue to an area just north of the Bay Marina entrance being N30 19.452/W089 23.026 and shall include all residential canals and offshoots. Additionally, the “Minimum Wake” zone shall include an area beginning at the mouth of Watts Bayou at N30 19.887/W089 22.485 and ending near the end of Watts Bayou at N20 19.309/W089 22.398 and shall include all residential canals and offshoots.
3. A public hearing was held by the City Council on December 2, 2025 at 5:50 p.m. A copy of the notice is attached hereto as Exhibit A.
4. The City Clerk is hereby authorized and directed to forward a certified copy of this Resolution to the Mississippi Department of Marine Resources.

After being reduced to writing, the foregoing Resolution was read and considered, section by section, and then as a whole, whereupon Council Member DESALVO moved for its adoption, and after a second by Council Member DAVIS the following roll call vote was had:


Council Member Jordan Bradford	YEA
Council Member Nancy Moynan	YEA
Council Member Phalba Holmes	YEA
Council Member Kyle Lewis	YEA
Council Member Linda Kay Davis	YEA
Council Member Josh DeSalvo	YEA
Council Member Larry Smith	YEA

Passed by the City Council of the City of Bay Saint Louis on the 2<sup>nd</sup> day of December 2025.

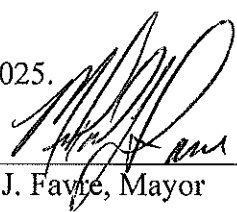
CERTIFICATION

I, Michael Reso, City Clerk for the City of Bay Saint Louis, Mississippi, do hereby certify that the foregoing Resolution was approved and adopted in the public meeting of the City Council held on December 2, 2025, a quorum being present, in the City Council Conference Chambers and to be recorded in the Minute Books, said Council being the duly elected, qualified, and acting governing body of Bay Saint Louis, Mississippi.

Presented by me to the Mayor on this, the 3<sup>rd</sup> day of December 2025.

  
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Michael Reso, City Clerk

Approved, and signed by me on this, the 3<sup>rd</sup> day of December 2025.

  
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Michael J. Fayette, Mayor