

ST. TAMMANY PARISH COUNCIL

RESOLUTION

RESOLUTION COUNCIL SERIES NO: C-6628

COUNCIL SPONSOR: BINDER/COOPER

PROVIDED BY: PUBLIC INFORMATION

RESOLUTION IN SUPPORT OF A FLOOD PREVENTION
OUTREACH PROGRAM FOR PUBLIC INFORMATION

WHEREAS, the United States Department of Homeland Security's Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) is responsible for the National Flood Insurance Program (NFIP); and

WHEREAS, the NFIP oversees a program to incentivize Parishes for exceeding the minimum requirements set forth by FEMA for risk and flood prevention, called the Community Rating System (CRS); and

WHEREAS, St. Tammany Parish is a participant in the NFIP's Community Rating System, where the Parish is currently rated as a CRS Class 7 community; and

WHEREAS, the Class 7 rating equates to a 15% discount for St. Tammany Parish citizens who have flood insurance through the NFIP, saving citizens \$ 2,242,696 per year; and

WHEREAS, a category in the CRS which provides one of the most points in CRS scoring is flood loss prevention outreach and public information; and

WHEREAS, the NFIP CRS program allows communities to participate in Program for Public Information (PPI) which provides additional CRS points if neighboring communities conduct flood prevention outreach and public information together in a coordinated manner; and

WHEREAS, St. Tammany Parish Government is a member of the Flood Loss Outreach & Awareness Taskforce (FLOAT), a PPI group and a FEMA-acknowledged CRS Users Group; and

WHEREAS, St. Tammany Parish Government and partner FLOAT agencies including Terrebonne, Tangipahoa, Orleans, and St. John the Baptist Parishes and the Cities of Slidell, Houma and Mandeville have developed and agreed upon the attached Program for Public Information with the assistance of the University of New Orleans' Center for Hazards Assessment, Response and Technology (CHART); and

WHEREAS, the Program for Public Information is attached and made part of this Resolution by reference.

THE PARISH OF ST. TAMMANY HEREBY RESOLVES to adopt the:

2022 Float Multijurisdictional Program for Public Information (PPI)

so as to better inform our citizens and business owners regarding their threat from flooding and how they can prevent it and earn additional CRS points to assist in maintaining or improving the community's rating and flood insurance premium discount.

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 7 DAY OF JULY, 2022, AT A REGULAR MEETING OF THE PARISH COUNCIL, A QUORUM OF THE MEMBERS BEING PRESENT AND VOTING.

JERRY BINDER, COUNCIL CHAIRMAN

ATTEST:

KATRINA L. BUCKLEY, CLERK OF COUNCIL