### ST. TAMMANY PARISH COUNCIL

## **RESOLUTION**

PROVIDED BY: BOND COUNSEL

A resolution ordering and calling a special election to be held in Sales Tax District No. Three of the Parish of St. Tammany, State of Louisiana, to authorize the renewal and rededication of a sales and use tax therein, making application to the State Bond Commission, and providing for other matters in connection therewith.

BE IT RESOLVED by the Parish Council of the Parish of St. Tammany, State of Louisiana (the "Governing Authority"), acting as the governing authority of Sales Tax District No. Three of the Parish of St. Tammany, State of Louisiana (the "District"), that:

SECTION 1. <u>Election Call</u>. Subject to the approval of the State Bond Commission, and under the authority conferred by the Constitution of the State of Louisiana of 1974, including Article VI, Section 29 thereof, the applicable provisions of the Louisiana Election Code, and other constitutional and statutory authority, a special election is hereby called and ordered to be held in the District on **TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 5, 2024**, between the hours of six o'clock (6:00) a.m. and eight o'clock (8:00) p.m., in accordance with the provisions of La. R.S. 18:541, and at the said election there shall be submitted to all registered voters qualified and entitled to vote at the said election under the Constitution and laws of this State and the Constitution of the United States, the following proposition, to-wit:

### SALES TAX DISTRICT NO. THREE PROPOSITION

(SALES TAX REDEDICATION & RENEWAL)

Shall Sales Tax District No. Three of the Parish of St. Tammany, State of Louisiana (the "District"), be authorized to continue to levy its 2% sales and use tax (the "Tax") authorized at an election held on July 16, 2005 (the "Prior Election") (an estimated \$88,948,127 reasonably expected at this time to be collected from the levy of the Tax for an entire year), for an additional period of 25 years commencing December 1, 2031, with the proceeds of the Tax heretofore or hereafter collected to continue to be used for the purposes authorized at the Prior Election (including funding roads, bridges and drainage infrastructure) and for the additional purpose of paying expenses of the state mandated public safety agencies that benefit the residents of the District, provided that any revenues of the Tax expended for such additional purpose in any year may not exceed 17% of the proceeds of the Tax budgeted for that year?

SECTION 2. <u>Publication of Notice of Election</u>. A Notice of Special Election shall be published in the official journal of the District, once a week for four consecutive weeks, with the first publication to be made not less than forty-five (45) days nor more than ninety (90) days prior to the date of the election, which Notice shall be substantially in the form attached hereto as "Exhibit A" and incorporated herein by reference the same as if it were set forth herein in full.

Notwithstanding the foregoing, prior to the publication of the Notice of Election, the Council Chairman is authorized and directed to make any amendments to the foregoing proposition that may be required to comply with any state or federal regulatory agencies.

SECTION 3. <u>Canvass</u>. This Governing Authority shall meet at its regular meeting place, the Council Chambers of the Parish Government Complex, 21490 Koop Drive, Mandeville, Louisiana, on **THURSDAY**, **DECEMBER 5**, **2024**, at **SIX O'CLOCK (6:00) P.M.**, and shall then and there in open and public session proceed to examine and canvass the returns and declare the result of the said special election.

SECTION 4. <u>Polling Places</u>. The polling places for the precincts set forth in the aforesaid Notice of Special Election are hereby designated as the polling places at which to hold the said election, and the Commissioners-in-Charge and Commissioners, respectively, will be the same persons as those designated in accordance with law.

SECTION 5. <u>Election Commissioners; Voting Machines</u>. The officers designated to serve as Commissioners-in-Charge and Commissioners pursuant to Section 4 hereof, or such substitutes therefor as may be selected and designated in accordance with La. R.S. 18:1287, shall hold the said special election as herein provided, and shall make due returns of said election for the meeting of the Governing Authority to be held as provided in Section 3 hereof. All registered voters in the District will be entitled to vote at the special election, and voting machines shall be used.

SECTION 6. <u>Authorization of Officers</u>. The Clerk of the Governing Authority is hereby empowered, authorized and directed to arrange for and to furnish to said election officers in ample time for the holding of said election, the necessary equipment, forms and other paraphernalia essential to the proper holding of said election and the Chairman and/or Clerk of the Governing Authority are further authorized, empowered and directed to take any and all further action required by State and/or Federal law to arrange for the election.

SECTION 7. <u>Furnishing Election Call to Election Officials</u>. Certified copies of this resolution shall be forwarded to the Secretary of State, the Clerk of Court and *Ex-Officio* Parish Custodian of Voting Machines of St. Tammany Parish and the Registrar of Voters of St. Tammany Parish, as notification of the special election, in order that each may prepare for said election and perform their respective functions as required by law.

SECTION 8. <u>Application to State Bond Commission</u>. Application is made to the State Bond Commission for consent and authority to hold the special election as herein provided, and in the event said election carries for further consent and authority to continue to levy and collect the sales and use tax provided for therein. A certified copy of this resolution shall be forwarded to the State Bond Commission on behalf of this Governing Authority, together with a letter requesting the prompt consideration and approval of this application.

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 2<sup>ND</sup> DAY OF MAY, 2024, AT A REGULAR MEETING OF THE PARISH COUNCIL, A QUORUM OF THE MEMBERS BEING PRESENT AND VOTING.

ARTHUR A. LAUGHLIN, COUNCIL CHAIR ATTEST:

# **NOTICE OF SPECIAL ELECTION**

Pursuant to the provisions of a resolution adopted by the Parish Council of the Parish of St. Tammany, State of Louisiana (the "Governing Authority"), acting as the governing authority of Sales Tax District No. Three of the Parish of St. Tammany, State of Louisiana (the "District"), on May 2, 2024, NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that a special election will be held within the District on **TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 5, 2024**, and that at the said election there will be submitted to all registered voters in the District qualified and entitled to vote at the said election under the Constitution and Laws of the State of Louisiana and the Constitution of the United States, the following proposition, to-wit:

# SALES TAX DISTRICT NO. THREE PROPOSITION (SALES TAX REDEDICATION & RENEWAL)

Shall Sales Tax District No. Three of the Parish of St. Tammany, State of Louisiana (the "District"), be authorized to continue to levy its 2% sales and use tax (the "Tax") authorized at an election held on July 16, 2005 (the "Prior Election") (an estimated \$88,948,127 reasonably expected at this time to be collected from the levy of the Tax for an entire year), for an additional period of 25 years commencing December 1, 2031, with the proceeds of the Tax heretofore or hereafter collected to continue to be used for the purposes authorized at the Prior Election (including funding roads, bridges and drainage infrastructure) and for the additional purpose of paying expenses of the state mandated public safety agencies that benefit the residents of the District, provided that any revenues of the Tax expended for such additional purpose in any year may not exceed 17% of the proceeds of the Tax budgeted for that year?

The said special election shall be held at the polling places for the following precincts, which polls will open at six o'clock (6:00) a.m. and close at eight o'clock (8:00) p.m., in accordance with the provisions of La. R.S. 18:541, to wit:

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The polling places at the precincts set forth above are hereby designated as the polling places at which to hold the said election, and the Commissioners-in-Charge and Commissioners, respectively, shall be those persons designated according to law.

The estimated cost of this election as determined by the Secretary of State based upon the provisions of Chapter 8-A of Title 18 and actual costs of similar elections is \$22,000.

The said special election will be held in accordance with the applicable provisions of Chapter 5 and Chapter 6-A of Title 18 of the Louisiana Revised Statutes of 1950, as amended, and other constitutional and statutory authority, and the officers appointed to hold the said election, as provided in this Notice of Special Election, or such substitutes therefor as may be selected and designated in accordance with La. R.S. 18:1287, will make due returns thereof to said Governing Authority, and NOTICE IS HEREBY FURTHER GIVEN that the Governing Authority will meet at its regular meeting place, the Council Chambers of the Parish Government Complex, 21490 Koop Drive, Mandeville, Louisiana, on THURSDAY, DECEMBER 5, 2024, at SIX O'CLOCK (6:00) P.M., and shall then and there in open and public session proceed to examine and canvass the returns and declare the result of the said special election. All registered voters of the District are entitled to vote at said special election and voting machines will be used.

STATE OF LOUISIANA

PARISH OF ST. TAMMANY

I, the undersigned Clerk of the Parish Council of the Parish of St. Tammany, State of

Louisiana (the "Governing Authority"), the governing authority of Sales Tax District No. Three of

the Parish of St. Tammany, State of Louisiana (the "District"), do hereby certify that the foregoing

pages constitute a true and correct copy of the proceedings taken by the Governing Authority on

May 2, 2024, ordering and calling a special election to be held in Sales Tax District No. Three of

the Parish of St. Tammany, State of Louisiana, to authorize the renewal and rededication of a

sales and use tax therein, making application to the State Bond Commission, and providing for

other matters in connection therewith.

IN FAITH WHEREOF, witness my official signature at Mandeville, Louisiana, on this, the  $2^{\rm nd}$ 

day of May, 2024.

Katrina L. Buckley, Council Clerk