ST. TAMMAMY PARISH COUNCIL

ORDINANCE

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ON THE 5TH DAY OF NOVEMBER, 2026.

AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE ISSUANCE BY THE PARISH OF ST. TAMMANY, STATE OF LOUISIANA OF ITS TAXABLE REVENUE BONDS (DEQ), IN AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED ONE MILLION FIVE HUNDRED THOUSAND DOLLARS ($1,500,000) AND PROVIDING FOR OTHER MATTERS IN CONNECTION THEREWITH.

WHEREAS, pursuant to the provisions of Section 1430 of Title 39 of the Louisiana Revised Statutes of 1950, as amended, and other constitutional and statutory authority (the "***Act***"), the Parish of St. Tammany, State of Louisiana (the "***Parish***") desires to incur debt and issue not to exceed $1,500,000 of its Taxable Revenue Bonds (DEQ) (the "***Bonds***"), for the purpose of (i) paying costs of engineering, design, construction, and installation of improvements to sewerage facilities in the Parish ("**Project**"), and (ii) paying the costs of issuance of the Bonds, said Bonds to be payable from the Environmental Services revenues received by the Parish ("***Environmental Services Revenues***"); and

WHEREAS, it is now the desire of the Parish to authorize the issuance of the Bonds in accordance with the terms and provisions of the Act and for the purposes set forth above; and

WHEREAS, at this time, the Parish has no outstanding indebtedness payable from a pledge and dedication of the Environmental Services Revenues other than its Taxable Revenue Bonds, Series 2026, which are subject to 100% forgiveness and on which the Parish will not pay any debt service; and

WHEREAS, the United States of America, pursuant to the Clean Water Act of 1972, as amended by the Water Quality Act of 1987, specifically Subchapter VI, Chapter 26 of Title 33 of the United States Code (the "***Federal Act***"), is authorized to make capitalization grants to states to be used for the purpose of establishing a water pollution control revolving fund for providing assistance (i) for construction of treatment works (as defined in Section 1292 of the Federal Act) which are publicly owned, (ii) for implementing a management program under Section 1329 of the Federal Act and (iii) for developing and implementing a conservation and management plan under Section 1330 of the Federal Act; and

WHEREAS, the State of Louisiana (the "***State***"), pursuant to Subtitle II, Chapter 14 of Title 30 of the Louisiana Revised Statutes of 1950, as amended, specifically La. R.S. 30:2301, *et seq.*) (the "***State Act***"), has established a Clean Water State Revolving Fund (the "***State Revolving Fund***") in the custody of the Louisiana Department of Environmental Quality (the "***Department***") to be used for the purpose of providing financial assistance for the improvement of wastewater treatment facilities in the State, as more fully described in Section 2302 of the State Act, and has authorized the Department to administer the State Revolving Fund in accordance with applicable federal and state law; and

WHEREAS, the Parish has made application to the Department for a loan from the State Revolving Fund to finance a portion of the costs of the Project and the Department has approved the Parish's application for such loan; and

WHEREAS, the Bonds will be issued to represent the Parish's obligation to repay the loan from the State Revolving Fund; and

WHEREAS, the Parish desires to fix the details necessary with respect to the issuance, sale and delivery of the Bonds, and to provide for the authorization and issuance thereof, as hereinafter provided;

THE PARISH OF ST. TAMMANY HEREBY ORDAINS that:

SECTION 1. **Definitions**. As used herein, the following terms shall have the following meanings, unless the context otherwise requires:

**"*Act*"** means Section 1430 of Title 39 of the Louisiana Revised Statutes of 1950, as amended, and other constitutional and statutory authority supplemental thereto.

**"*Additional Parity Bonds*"** means any *pari passu* additional bonds that may hereafter be issued pursuant to Section 19 hereof on a parity with the Bonds.

**"*Administrative Fee*"** means the annual fee equal to one-half of one percent (0.50%) per annum of the outstanding principal amount of the Bonds, or such lesser amount as the Department may approve from time to time, which shall be payable each year in two equal semi-annual installments on each Interest Payment Date.

**"*Authorized Officers*"** means, collectively, the Parish President, Council Clerk and Chief Financial Officer of the Parish, or such other person or persons authorized pursuant to a resolution or ordinance of the Parish Council to act as an authorized officer of the Parish to perform any act or execute any document relating to the Loan, the Bonds, or the Loan Agreement.

**"*Bond*"** or **"*Bonds*"** means the Parish's Taxable Revenue Bonds (DEQ), authorized by this Bond Ordinance in the total aggregate principal amount of not exceeding One Million Five Hundred Thousand Dollars ($1,500,000), and any bond of any said issue, whether initially delivered or issued in exchange for, upon transfer of, or *in lieu* of any previously issued.

**"*Bond Ordinance*"** means this ordinance authorizing the issuance of the Bonds.

**"*Bond Register*"** means the registration books of the Paying Agent (initially the Chief Financial Officer of the Parish), in which registration of the Bonds and transfers of the Bonds shall be made as provided herein.

**"*Bond Year*"** means the one-year period ending on each Principal Payment Date.

**"*Business Day*"** means a day of the year on which banks located in the City of New Orleans are not required or authorized to remain closed and on which the New York Stock Exchange is not closed.

**"*Completion Date*"** means the earlier of (i) the date of the final disbursement of the purchase price of the Bonds to the Parish, or (ii) the date the operation of a substantial portion of the Project is initiated or capable of being initiated, as certified by an Authorized Officer in accordance with the Loan Agreement.

**"*Consulting Engineer*"** means a regionally known consulting engineer or firm of consulting engineers with skill and experience in the construction and operation of publicly owned drinking water and wastewater disposal systems.

**"*Defeasance Obligations*"** means (i) cash, or (ii) non-callable Government Securities.

**"*Department*"** means the Louisiana Department of Environmental Quality, an executive department and agency of the State of Louisiana, and any successor to the duties and functions thereof.

**"*Environmental Services Revenues*"** means environmental services revenues received by the Parish.

"***Fiscal Year***" means the accounting period beginning January 1 of each year, or such other accounting period as may be designated by the Parish as the fiscal year of the Parish with regard to the System.

"***Government Securities***" means direct obligations of, or obligations the timely payment of the principal of and interest on which are fully and unconditionally guaranteed by the United States of America, which are non-callable prior to their maturity and may be United States Treasury Obligations such as the State and Local Government Series and may be in book entry form.

"***Interest Payment Date***" means each June 1 and December 1, or such other semi-annual payment dates as may be approved by the Authorized Officers in the manner set forth in Section 2, and commencing on the date set forth in the Loan Agreement.

"***Loan***" means the loan made by the Department from the Clean Water State Revolving Fund to the Parish pursuant to the Loan Agreement, the obligation to repay which Loan is evidenced by the Bonds.

"***Loan Agreement***" means the Loan and Pledge Agreement to be entered into by and between the Department and the Parish prior to the delivery of the Bonds, in substantially the form presented at this meeting, which will contain certain additional agreements relating to the Bonds and the Project, as it may be supplemented or amended from time to time in accordance with the provisions thereof.

"***Outstanding***" when used with respect to Bonds means, as of the date of determination, all Bonds or portions thereof theretofore issued and delivered under this Bond Ordinance, except:

(a) Bonds theretofore canceled by the Paying Agent or delivered to the Paying Agent for cancellation;

(b) Bonds for whose payment or prepayment sufficient funds have been theretofore deposited in trust for the Owners of such Bonds as provided herein;

(c) Bonds in exchange for or *in lieu* of which other Bonds have been registered and delivered pursuant to this Bond Ordinance; and

(d) Bonds alleged to have been mutilated, destroyed, lost or stolen which have been paid as provided in this Bond Ordinance.

"***Owner***" or "***Owners***" when used with respect to any Bond means the Person in whose name such Bond is registered with the Paying Agent.

"***Parish***" means the Parish of St. Tammany, State of Louisiana, a political subdivision of the State of Louisiana, and its successors or assigns.

"***Parish Council***" means the St. Tammany Parish Council.

"***Paying Agent***" means the Chief Financial Officer of the Parish, unless and until a successor Paying Agent shall have assumed such responsibilities pursuant to this Bond Ordinance.

"***Person***" means any individual, corporation, partnership, joint venture, association, joint stock company, trust, unincorporated organization, or government or any agency or political subdivision thereof.

"***Principal Payment Date***" means each June 1 (or such other annual payment date as may be approved by the Authorized Officers in the manner set forth in Section 2), commencing on the date set forth in the Loan Agreement.

"***Purchaser***" means the Department, being the original purchaser of the Bonds.

"***Project***" means the funding for the Parish's costs of engineering, design, construction, and installation of improvements to sewerage facilities in the Parish.

"***Qualified Investments***" means any investment permitted for political subdivisions, such as the Parish, by State law.

"***Record Date***" for the principal, interest, or Administrative Fee payable on any Interest Payment Date means the 15th calendar day of the month next preceding such Interest Payment Date, whether or not such day is a Business Day.

"***Reserve Fund Requirement***" means as of any date of calculation, a sum equal to one-half of the maximum principal, interest, and Administrative Fee requirements for any succeeding Fiscal Year on the Bonds.

"***Revenue Fund***" means the fund of such name as described in Section 15 hereof.

"***State***" means the State of Louisiana.

"***System***" means the Parish's revenue-producing sewage collection, treatment and disposal systems, as said systems now exist, and as they may be hereafter improved, extended or supplemented from any source whatsoever, including specifically all properties of every nature owned, leased or operated by the Issuer and used or useful in the operation of the sewage collection, treatment and disposal systems and waterworks treatment and distribution systems, and including real estate, personal and intangible properties, contracts, franchises, leases and chooses in action, whether lying within or without the boundaries of the Parish.

SECTION 2. **Authorization of Bonds**. In compliance with and under the authority of the Act, there is hereby authorized the incurring of an indebtedness of not exceeding One Million Five Hundred Thousand Dollars ($1,500,000) for, on behalf of and in the name of the Parish, for the purpose of (i) paying costs of engineering, design, construction, and installation of improvements to sewerage facilities in the Parish, and (ii) paying the costs of issuance of the Bonds, said Bonds to be payable in principal and interest from the environmental services revenues received by the Parish, as defined in the Act. To represent the said indebtedness, the Parish does hereby authorize the issuance of its "*Taxable Revenue Bond (DEQ)*," in an amount not to exceed One Million Five Hundred Thousand Dollars ($1,500,000). The Bonds shall be initially issued in the form of a single, fully registered Bond numbered R-1, which shall be dated the date of delivery thereof and shall be in substantially the form attached hereto as **Exhibit A**.

The Authorized Officers may also approve a series designation reflecting the year in which the Bonds are issue or different semi-annual interest payment dates and a different annual principal payment date if it is their sole judgment preferable to do so when the actual delivery date of the Bonds is known, provided that the final maturity date of the Bonds is no later than twenty-two (22) years from the date of delivery.

The Bonds shall mature in twenty (20) installments of principal, payable annually on each Principal Payment Date, in amounts as shall be set forth in the Loan Agreement and the Bonds.

The unpaid principal of the Bonds shall bear interest from the date thereof, or the most recent Interest Payment Date to which interest has been paid or duly provided for, at the rate of forty-five hundredths of one percent (0.45%) per annum, said interest to be calculated on the basis of a 360-day year consisting of twelve 30-day months and payable on each Interest Payment Date. Interest on the Bonds on any Interest Payment Date shall be payable only on the aggregate amount of the purchase price which shall have been paid theretofore to the Parish and is outstanding and shall accrue with respect to each purchase price installment only from the date of payment of such installment.

In addition to interest at the rate set forth above, at any time that the Department owns the Bonds the Parish will pay the Administrative Fee to the Department on each Interest Payment Date. In the event (i) the Department owns any Bonds or the Department has pledged or assigned any Bonds in connection with its Clean Water State Revolving Fund and (ii) the

Administrative Fee payable by the Parish to the Department under the terms of the Loan Agreement is declared illegal or unenforceable by a court or an administrative body of competent jurisdiction, the interest rate borne by the Bonds shall be increased by one-half of one percent (0.50%) per annum, effective as of the date declared to be the date from which the Administrative Fee is no longer owed because of such illegality or unenforceability. The Administrative Fee shall be calculated in the same manner as interest on the Bonds.

SECTION 3. **Prepayment**. The principal installments of the Bonds are subject to prepayment at the option of the Parish at any time, in whole or in part, at a prepayment price of par plus accrued interest and accrued Administrative Fee, if any, to the prepayment date and in case of partial prepayment, the remaining principal of the Bonds shall continue to mature in installments calculated using the percentages set forth in the Loan Agreement and the Bond. Official notice of such call for prepayment shall be given by means of first class mail, postage prepaid by notice deposited in the United States Mail or via accepted means of electronic communication not less than thirty (30) days prior to the prepayment date addressed to the Owner of each Bond to be prepaid at his address as shown on the registration records of the Paying Agent. In the event a portion of the Bonds is to be prepaid, such Bonds shall be surrendered to the Paying Agent, who shall note the date and amount of such prepayment in the space provided therefor on the Bonds.

SECTION 4. **Security for Payment of Bonds**. The Bonds shall be secured and payable in principal and interest exclusively by a pledge of the Environmental Services Revenues. The Environmental Services Revenues are hereby irrevocably and irrepealably pledged in an amount sufficient for the payment of the Bond in principal and interest as the installments thereof fall due, and the income and revenues thus pledged shall remain so pledged for the security of the Bond in principal and interest until they shall have been fully paid and discharged.

In providing for the issuance of the Bonds, the Parish does hereby covenant and warrant that it has a legal right to pledge the Environmental Services Revenues as herein provided, that the Bonds will have a valid lien and privilege on the Environmental Services Revenues. The Parish will covenant and warrant in the Loan Agreement that it is lawfully seized and possessed of the System and will at all times maintain the System in first-class repair and working order and condition.

SECTION 5. **Bond Ordinance a Contract**. The provisions of this Bond Ordinance shall constitute a contract between the Parish and the Owner or Owners from time to time of the Bonds, and any such Owner may by suit, action, mandamus or other proceedings, enforce the statutory lien provided by the Act as well as the security for the Bonds provided in this Bond Ordinance, and may by suit, action, mandamus, or other proceedings enforce and compel performance of all of the duties required to be performed by the Parish as may be provided for in this Bond Ordinance.

Notwithstanding the foregoing, no member of the Parish Council or any officer or employee of the Parish or any person executing the Bonds shall be personally liable on the Bonds.

SECTION 6. **Statutory Lien**. As provided in the Act, the Owners shall have a statutory lien on and a security interest in the Environmental Services Revenues pledged to the payment of the Bonds in this Bond Ordinance, to the fullest extent and in the manner stated in the Act and this Bond Ordinance, and any pledge or grant of a lien or security interest in such Environmental Services Revenues made by the Parish in connection with the issuance of the Bonds shall be valid, binding and perfected from the time when the pledge or grant of lien or security interest is made. The Environmental Services Revenues shall immediately be subject to the lien of such pledge and security interest without any physical delivery therefor or further act and the lien of such pledge and security interest shall be first priority and valid and binding as against all parties having claims of any kind in tort, contract, bankruptcy or otherwise against the Parish, whether or not such parties have notice thereof.

SECTION 7. **Sale and Delivery of Bonds**. The Bonds are hereby awarded to and sold to the Department at a price of par under the terms and conditions set forth in the Loan Agreement,

and after their execution the Bonds shall be delivered to the Department or its agents or assigns, upon receipt by the Parish of the agreed first advance of the purchase price of the Bonds. Pursuant to the Act, the Parish has determined to sell the Bonds at a private sale without necessity of publication of a notice of sale. It is understood that the purchase price of the Bonds will be paid by the Department to the Parish in installments, in the manner and under the terms and conditions set forth in the Loan Agreement, and a portion of such advances may be forgiven by the Department.

SECTION 8. **Manner of Payment**. The principal and interest on the Bonds will be payable by check mailed by the Paying Agent to the Owner (determined as of the Record Date) at the address shown on the registration books kept by the Paying Agent for such purpose, provided that payment of the final installment of principal on the Bonds shall be made only upon presentation and surrender of the Bonds to the Paying Agent.

SECTION 9. **Execution of Bonds and Documents**. The Authorized Officers are each hereby empowered, authorized and directed to do any and all things necessary and incidental to carry out all of the provisions of this Bond Ordinance, to execute and deliver the Loan Agreement, and to cause the Bonds to be prepared and/or printed, to issue, execute and seal the Bonds and to effect delivery thereof as hereinafter provided.

In connection with the issuance and sale of the Bonds, the Authorized Officers are each authorized, empowered and directed to execute on behalf of the Parish such additional documents, certificates and instruments as they may deem necessary, upon the advice of counsel, to effect the transactions contemplated by this Bond Ordinance, including a Commitment Agreement with the Department. The signatures of said officers on such documents, certificates and instruments shall be conclusive evidence of the due exercise of the authority granted hereunder.

SECTION 10. **Registration**. The Parish shall cause the Bond Register to be kept at the principal office of the Paying Agent in which registration of the Bonds and transfers of the Bonds shall be made as provided herein. The Bonds may be transferred, registered and assigned only on the Bond Register, and such registration shall be at the expense of the Parish. The Bonds may be assigned by the execution of an assignment form on the Bonds or by other instruments of transfer and assignment acceptable to the Paying Agent. A new Bond will be delivered by the Paying Agent to the last assignee (the new Owner) in exchange for such transferred and assigned Bond after receipt of the Bond to be transferred in proper form.

SECTION 11. **Effect of Registration**. The Parish, the Paying Agent, and any agent of either of them may treat the Owner in whose name any Bond is registered as the Owner of such Bond for the purpose of receiving payment of the principal (and prepayment price) of and interest on such Bond and for all other purposes whatsoever, and to the extent permitted by law, neither the Parish, the Paying Agent, nor any agent of either of them shall be affected by notice to the contrary.

SECTION 12. **Recital of Regularity**. This Parish Council, having investigated the regularity of the proceedings had in connection with this issue of Bonds, and having determined the same to be regular, the Bonds shall contain the following recital authorized by and having the effect set forth in R.S. 39:507, to wit:

> "*It is certified that this indebtedness is authorized by and is issued in conformity with the requirements of the Constitution and statutes of Louisiana*."

SECTION 13. **Deposit of Bond Proceeds**. The proceeds derived from the sale of the Bonds shall constitute a trust fund to be used exclusively for the purposes for which the Bonds are herein authorized to be issued, but the Department shall not be obligated to see to the application thereof. All of the proceeds derived from the sale of the Bonds, which shall be paid in installments by the Department in the manner set forth in the Loan Agreement, shall be deposited by the Parish in a Construction Fund (the "***Construction Fund***"). The funds in the

Construction Fund shall be used solely for the purpose of paying costs of the Project, in the manner set forth in the Loan Agreement, and costs of issuance, as defined in the Act.

SECTION 14. **Davis-Bacon Wage Rate Requirements**. The Parish agrees that all laborers and mechanics employed by contractors and subcontractors on the portion of the Project that is funded in whole or in part with the Bonds purchased by the Department shall be paid wages at rates not less than those prevailing on projects of a character similar in the locality of the Parish as determined by the Secretary of the United States Department of Labor ("***DOL***") in accordance with Subchapter IV of Chapter 31 of Title 40, United States Code. DOL provides all pertinent information related to compliance with the foregoing requirements, including prevailing wage rates and instructions for reporting. The Parish will ensure that all construction contracts relating to the portion of the Project that is funded in whole or in part with Bonds purchased by the Department will require that the contractor comply with the aforesaid wage and reporting requirements. This Section shall not apply to situations where the Parish may perform construction work using its own employees rather than any contractor or subcontractor.

SECTION 15. **Flow of Funds**. The Parish has previously established a separate enterprise fund for the deposit of the Environmental Service Revenues. Such enterprise fund is referred to herein as the "*Revenue Fund*"; however, no different or special accounting treatment shall be required by virtue of the pledge contained in this Bond Ordinance, and a separate bank account shall not be required. All Environmental Service Revenues shall continue to be deposited daily as collected in the Revenue Fund, which shall be maintained separate and apart from all other funds of the Parish. Funds in the Revenue Fund shall be expended in the following order of priority and for the following express purposes:

(a) The Parish shall maintain the separately identifiable fund designated as the *"Environmental Service Revenue Bond Sinking Fund"* (the "***Debt Service Fund***"), hereby established by this Bond Ordinance, by transferring from funds in the Revenue Fund to the Debt Service Fund monthly on or before the 20$^{th}$ day of each month of each year, a sum equal to 1/6$^{th}$ of the interest and Administrative Fee falling due on the next Interest Payment Date, and a sum equal to 1/12$^{th}$ of the principal falling due on the next Principal Payment Date on all bonds payable from the Debt Service Fund (which shall include the Bonds and any Additional Parity Bonds), together with such additional proportionate monthly sum as may be required to pay said principal, interest and Administrative Fee, if any, as the same become due. The Parish shall transfer from the Debt Service Fund to the paying agent(s) for all bonds payable from the Debt Service Fund, or directly to the owners thereof, on or before each Interest Payment Date, funds fully sufficient to pay promptly the principal, interest and Administrative Fee, if any, falling due on such date.

(b) The Parish shall maintain the separately identifiably fund designated as the "*The Environmental Service Revenue Bond Reserve Fund*" (the "***Reserve Fund***"), hereby established by this Bond Ordinance, which shall contain separate accounts for the Bonds and any Additional Parity Bonds as may be applicable (each a "***Reserve Account***"), into which shall be deposited and retained such amount, if any, required by the ordinance of the Parish Council issuing such bonds. The money in each Reserve Account shall be retained solely for the purpose of paying the principal, interest or Administrative Fee, if any, on the bonds secured by such Reserve Account as to which there would otherwise be default. Each Reserve Account shall be designated as the "*Series ____ Account*" as necessary.

There is hereby established the "*Series 2027 Account*" as a Reserve Account in the Reserve Fund. The Parish shall make monthly deposits into the Reserve Fund from the Revenue Fund such that an amount equal to the Series 2027 Reserve Fund Requirement is on deposit in the Series 2027 Account within a period not exceeding five (5) years from the date of delivery of the Bonds, and thereafter there shall be maintained in the Series 2027 Account an amount equal to the Reserve Fund Requirement.

If at any time it shall be necessary to use moneys in any Reserve Account for the purpose of paying principal, interest or Administrative Fee, if any, on bonds payable from the Sinking Fund as to which there would otherwise be default, then the moneys so used shall be replaced from

the Environmental Services Revenues first thereafter received, not hereinabove required to be used for the purpose described in Section 15(a) above; provided, however, if the Parish is required to replenish multiple Reserve Accounts, it shall do so on a pro-rata basis each month, calculated based on the amount to be deposited in each Reserve Account to fully replenish such account.

(c) Any money remaining in the Revenue Fund after making the above required payments may be used by the Parish for any lawful purposes as the Parish Council may determine.

SECTION 16. **Notification of Deficiencies**. As required by the Act, the Parish will notify the State Bond Commission in writing, whenever (i) any required deposit to the Debt Service Fund has not been made within five business days of when due or (ii) the principal, interest, premium, or any other payment due on the Bonds (including the Administrative Fee) has not been made within five business days of when due.

SECTION 17. **Investments**. All or any part of the moneys in the Revenue Fund and the Debt Service Fund shall at the written request of the Parish Council be invested in Qualified Investments and all of the moneys in the Reserve Fund shall be invested in Government Securities maturing in 12 months or less, in which event all income derived from such investments shall be added to the Revenue Fund, with the exception that any interest earnings from invested funds of the Reserve Fund shall be retained therein until an amount equal to the Reserve Fund Requirement is on deposit therein, and such investments shall, to the extent at any time necessary, be liquidated and the proceeds thereof applied to the purposes for which the respective fund has been created.

SECTION 18. **Rate Covenant**. The Parish by proper resolutions and/or ordinances, hereby covenants to fix, establish and maintain such rates and collect such revenues, and to revise the same from time to time whenever necessary, as will always provide Environmental Service Revenues in each year sufficient to pay the principal maturing and interest and Administrative Fee accruing on the Bonds in each year, all reserves or sinking funds or other payments required for such year by this Bond Ordinance, and all other obligations or indebtedness payable out of the Environmental Services Revenues of the System for such year, and which will provide Environmental Services Revenues in each year at least equal to ***125%*** of the largest amount of principal maturing and interest and Administrative Fee accruing on the Bonds and any Additional Parity Bonds in any future Fiscal Year.

In the event and to the extent that the Environmental Services Revenues are insufficient to satisfy the obligations payable from the funds and accounts described in Section 15 above, or the rate covenant contained in this Section, the Parish may take into account other lawfully available sources of funding, provided that the amount of such funding shall be actually appropriated to the Revenue Fund.

SECTION 19. **Issuance of Refunding and Additional Parity Bonds**. All of the Bonds shall enjoy complete parity of lien on the Environmental Services Revenues despite the fact that any of the Bonds may be delivered at an earlier date than any other of the Bonds. The Parish further covenants that it shall issue no other bonds or obligations of any kind or nature payable from or enjoying a lien on any part of the Environmental Services Revenues having priority over or parity with the Bonds, except that Additional Parity Bonds may be issued hereafter if the following conditions are met:

(a) The Bonds or any part thereof, including interest and Administrative Fee thereon, may be refunded and the refunding bonds so issued shall enjoy complete equality of lien with the portion of the Bonds which is not refunded, if there be any, and the refunding bonds shall continue to enjoy whatever priority of lien over subsequent issues may have been enjoyed by the Bonds refunded; provided, however, that if only a portion of the Bonds outstanding is so refunded and if the refunding bonds require principal and interest payments during any year in excess of the principal and interest which would have been required to pay the Bonds

refunded thereby, then such Bonds may not be refunded without the consent of the Owners of the unrefunded portion of the Bonds (provided such consent shall not be required if such refunding bonds meet the requirements set forth in clause (b) below); or

(b) Additional Parity Bonds may also be issued if all of the following conditions are met:

(i) The average annual Environmental Services Revenues for the two (2) completed Fiscal Years immediately preceding the issuance of the additional obligations must have been not less than *1.20 times* the highest combined principal and interest (including Administrative Fee, if any) requirements for any succeeding Fiscal Year on all bonds then outstanding and any other bonds or obligations whatsoever then outstanding which are payable from the Environmental Services Revenues (but not including bonds which have been refunded or provisions otherwise made for their full and complete payment and prepayment), and the Additional Parity Bonds so proposed to be issued. In making the calculation required by this subparagraph (b)(i), if the Parish has adopted higher rates for the Environmental Services Revenues on or before the date of issuance of the Additional Parity Bonds, the calculation of average annual Environmental Services Revenues for the previous two completed Fiscal Years may be made assuming such rates had been in effect during such period;

(ii) There must be no delinquencies required to be made into the various funds maintained by this Ordinance;

(iii) The existence of the facts required by paragraphs (i) and (ii) above must be determined by the Chief Financial Officer of the Parish or an independent certified public accountant who have been employed to audit the books of the Parish or by such successors thereof who have been employed for such purposes;

(iv) The Additional Parity Bonds must be payable as to principal on the same date in each year as principal falls due on the Bonds and payable as to interest on the same Interest Payment Dates as the Bonds; and

(v) The ordinance issuing the Parity Bonds shall provide with respect to an account in the Reserve Fund for such Parity Bonds, if such an account is required in connection with the issuance and sale of such Parity Bonds.

SECTION 20. **Audit Requirements**. The Parish will establish and maintain adequate financial records as required by the laws of the State governing financial record-keeping by political subdivisions and in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles ("***GAAP***") and will make these and the following records and reports available to the Owners or their authorized representatives upon request.

The Parish will cause an audit of its financial statements to be made by an independent firm of certified public accountants in accordance with the requirements of Chapter 8 of Title 24 of the Louisiana Revised Statutes of 1950, as amended, and for so long as the Department owns the Bonds, or any part thereof, in accordance with the requirements of the Single Audit Act Amendments of 1996 and OMB's Uniform Administrative Requirements, Cost Principles and Audit Requirements for Federal Awards (2 CFR 200, Subpart F), and Section 66.458 of the Catalog of Federal Domestic Assistance (CFDA #66.458 - Capitalization Grants for State Revolving Funds) , if applicable. Upon completion, but in no event later than as allowed pursuant to extensions allowed by the Louisiana Legislative Auditor, the Parish shall file a copy of such audited financial statements with the Department and any other Owner requesting same.

SECTION 21. **Fidelity Bonds for Officers and Employees**. So long as any of the Bonds are outstanding and unpaid, the Parish shall require all of its officers and employees who may be in a position of authority or in possession of money derived from the collection of User Fees, to obtain or be covered by a blanket fidelity or faithful performance bond, or independent fidelity

bonds written by a responsible indemnity company in amounts adequate to protect the Parish from loss.

SECTION 22. **Discharge of Bond Ordinance**. If the Parish shall pay or cause to be paid, or there shall be paid to the Owners, the principal (and redemption price) of and interest on the Bonds, at the times and in the manner stipulated in this Bond Ordinance are paid in full for all amounts due and owing, then the pledge of the Environmental Services Revenues or any other money, securities, and funds pledged under this Bond Ordinance and all covenants, agreements, and other obligations of the Parish to the Owners shall thereupon cease, terminate, and become void and be discharged and satisfied.

SECTION 23. **Defeasance**. Bonds or interest installments for the payment or redemption of which money shall have been set aside and shall be held in trust (through deposit by the Parish of funds for such payment or redemption or otherwise) at the maturity or redemption date thereof shall be deemed to have been paid within the meaning and with the effect expressed above in this Section, if they have been defeased pursuant to Chapter 14 of Title 39 of the Louisiana Revised Statutes of 1950, as amended, or any successor provisions thereto.

SECTION 24. **Cancellation of Bonds**. All Bonds paid or prepaid either at or before maturity, together with all bonds purchased by the Parish, shall thereupon be promptly cancelled by the Paying Agent.

SECTION 25. **Lost, Destroyed or Improperly Cancelled Bonds**. Lost, destroyed or improperly cancelled Bonds may be replaced in the manner set forth in La. R.S. 39:515. In case any such lost, destroyed or improperly cancelled Bond has become or is about to become due and payable, the Parish in its discretion may, instead of issuing a new Bond, pay such Bond.

SECTION 26. **Successor Paying Agent; Paying Agent Agreement**. The Parish will at all times maintain a Paying Agent for the performance of the duties hereunder for the Bonds. The designation of the initial Paying Agent in this Bond Ordinance is hereby confirmed and approved. The Parish reserves the right to appoint a successor Paying Agent by (a) filing with the Person then performing such function a certified copy of a resolution or ordinance giving notice of the termination and appointing a successor and (b) causing notice to be given to each Owner. Every successor Paying Agent appointed hereunder shall at all times be an officer of the Parish or a bank or trust company organized and doing business under the laws of the United States of America or of any state, authorized under such laws to exercise trust powers, and subject to supervision or examination by Federal or State authority. The Authorized Officers are hereby authorized and directed to execute an appropriate agreement with the Paying Agent for and on behalf of the Parish in such form as may be satisfactory to said officers, the signatures of said officers on such Agreement to be conclusive evidence of the due exercise of the authority granted hereunder. No resignation or removal of the Paying Agent shall become effective until a successor has been appointed and has accepted the duties of Paying Agent.

SECTION 27. **Notices to Owners**. Wherever this Bond Ordinance provides for notice to Owners of any event, such notice shall be sufficiently given (unless otherwise herein expressly provided) if in writing and mailed, first class postage prepaid, to each Owner of such Bonds, at the address of such Owner as it appears in the Bond Register. In any case where notice to Owners is given by mail, neither the failure to mail such notice to any particular Owner, nor any defect in any notice so mailed, shall affect the sufficiency of such notice with respect to all other Bonds. Where this Bond Ordinance provides for notice in any manner, such notice may be waived in writing by the Owner entitled to receive such notice, either before or after the event, and such waiver shall be the equivalent of such notice. Waivers of notice by Owners shall be filed with the Paying Agent, but such filing shall not be a condition precedent to the validity of any action taken in reliance upon such waiver.

SECTION 28. **Publication; Peremption**. This Bond Ordinance shall be published at least once in the official journal of the Parish, or in a newspaper having general circulation in the Parish. Exhibits to this Bond Ordinance need not be published if the exhibits are enumerated in the

publication and it is stated in the publication that such exhibits are available for public inspection at the office of the Parish Council during regular business hours.

SECTION 29. **Disclosure Under SEC Rule 15c2-12**. The Parish is not required at this time to comply with the continuing disclosure requirements described in the Rule 15c2-12(b) of the Securities and Exchange Commission [17 CFR §240.15c2-12(b)].

SECTION 30. **Severability**. In case any one or more of the provisions of this Bond Ordinance or of the Bonds issued hereunder shall for any reason be held to be illegal or invalid, such illegality or invalidity shall not affect any other provision of this Bond Ordinance or of the Bonds, but this Bond Ordinance and the Bonds shall be construed and enforced as if such illegal or invalid provisions had not been contained therein. Any constitutional or statutory provision enacted after the date of this Bond Ordinance which validates or makes legal any provision of this Bond Ordinance or the Bonds which would not otherwise be valid or legal shall be deemed to apply to this Bond Ordinance and to the Bonds.

SECTION 31. **Section Headings**. The headings of the various sections hereof are inserted for convenience of reference only and shall not control or affect the meaning or construction of any of the provisions hereof.

SECTION 32. **Effective Date**. This ordinance shall take effect immediately in accordance with law.

MOVED FOR ADOPTION BY: _____ SECONDED BY: _____

WHEREUPON, THIS ORDINANCE WAS SUBMITTED TO A VOTE AND RESULTED IN THE FOLLOWING:

YEAS:

NAYS:

ABSTAIN:

ABSENT:

THIS ORDINANCE WAS DECLARED ADOPTED AT A REGULAR MEETING OF THE PARISH COUNCIL ON THE 3RD DAY OF DECEMBER, 2026, AND BECOMES ORDINANCE COUNCIL SERIES NO. 26-____.

_____
CHERYL TANNER, COUNCIL CHAIR

ATTEST:

_____
KATRINA L. BUCKLEY, COUNCIL CLERK

_____
MICHAEL B. COOPER, PARISH PRESIDENT

Published introduction: OCTOBER 28, 2026
Published adoption on: _____, 2026

Delivered to Parish President: _____, 2026 at _____
Returned to Council Clerk: _____, 2026 at _____

**EXHIBIT A**
**to Bond Ordinance**

**[FORM OF BOND]**

**INTEREST ON THIS BOND WILL BE INCLUDED IN GROSS INCOME FOR FEDERAL INCOME TAX PURPOSES AND IS NOT EXEMPT FROM FEDERAL INCOME TAXATION.**

**UNITED STATES OF AMERICA**
**STATE OF LOUISIANA**
**PARISH OF ST. TAMMANY**

**TAXABLE REVENUE BOND (DEQ), SERIES 2027**
**OF THE**
**PARISH OF ST. TAMMANY, STATE OF LOUISIANA**

| Bond Number | Bond Date | Interest Rate | Principal Amount |
|---|---|---|---|
| R-1 | _____, 2027 | 0.45% | $1,500,000 |

FOR VALUE RECEIVED, the Parish of St. Tammany, State of Louisiana (the "***Parish***"), hereby promises to pay (but only from the sources hereinafter described) to:

REGISTERED OWNER: Department of Environmental Quality (the "***Department***")
Attn: Financial Services Division, Accounts Receivable
P. O. Box 4311
Baton Rouge, Louisiana 70821-4311

or registered assigns noted on the registration record attached hereto, the Principal Amount set forth above (unless a lower Principal Amount applies, as set forth below), together with interest thereon from the Bond Date set forth above or the most recent interest payment date to which interest has been paid or duly provided for, unless this Bond shall have been previously called for prepayment and payment shall have been duly made or provided for.

This Bond shall bear interest, payable semi-annually on _____ 1 and _____ 1 of each year, commencing _____ 1, 202___ (each, an "***Interest Payment Date***"), at the Interest Rate shown above, said interest to be calculated on the basis of a 360-day year consisting of twelve 30-day months. Interest on this Bond on any Interest Payment Date shall be payable only on the aggregate outstanding amount of the purchase price which shall have been paid theretofore and not forgiven, as noted on **Schedule A** hereto, and shall accrue with respect to each purchase price installment only from the date of payment of such installment.

If the Department is the registered owner of this Bond, the Parish will additionally pay an Administrative Fee to the Department at the annual rate of one-half of one percent (0.50%) on the outstanding principal amount of the Bond, payable on each Interest Payment Date. In the event (i) the Department owns this Bond or the Department has pledged or assigned this Bond in connection with its Clean Water State Revolving Fund Program and (ii) the Administrative Fee payable to the Department is declared illegal or unenforceable by a court or an administrative body of competent jurisdiction, then the "*Interest Rate*" shown above and borne by this Bond shall be increased by one-half of one percent (0.5%) per annum, effective as of the date declared to be the date from which the Administrative Fee is no longer owed because of such illegality or unenforceability.

This Bond shall mature in twenty (20) installments of principal, payable annually on each ___ 1 (the "***Principal Payment Date***"), and each annual installment shall be the applicable percentage shown in the following table, rounded to the nearest One Thousand Dollars ($1,000), of the outstanding principal amount of the Bonds (taking into account any principal forgiveness) on the day before the applicable Principal Payment Date:

| Date (___ 1) | Percentage of Principal | Date (___ 1) | Percentage of Principal |
|---|---|---|---|
| _____ | 4.564% | _____ | 9.580% |
| _____ | 4.827 | _____ | 10.696 |
| _____ | 5.120 | _____ | 12.090 |
| _____ | 5.448 | _____ | 13.884 |
| _____ | 5.817 | _____ | 16.275 |
| _____ | 6.235 | _____ | 19.624 |
| _____ | 6.712 | _____ | 24.647 |
| _____ | 7.264 | _____ | 33.019 |
| _____ | 7.907 | _____ | 49.764 |
| _____ | 8.667 | _____ | 100.000 |

In the event that the Completion Date of the Project is on or after the first Principal Payment Date stated in the Bonds, the principal payment schedule set forth above may be adjusted so that each payment shall be due on the Principal Payment Date that is one year later than shown above, provided that in no event shall the final principal payment be more than twenty-two (22) years from the Delivery Date. **To exercise the option to defer the principal repayment schedule, the Parish must so notify the Department in writing prior to _____, 2027, and certify that the Completion Date will not have occurred prior to _____, 202__.**

The principal installments of this Bond shall be subject to prepayment at the option of the Parish at any time, in whole or in part at a prepayment price of par plus accrued interest and accrued Administrative Fee to the prepayment date. Official notice of such call of this Bond for prepayment shall be given by means of electronic communication, or first class mail, postage prepaid, by notice deposited in the United States Mail not less than thirty (30) days prior to the prepayment date addressed to the registered owner of this Bond to be prepaid at his address as shown on the registration books of the Paying Agent, which notice may be waived by any registered owner. In the event a portion of this Bond is to be prepaid, this Bond shall be surrendered to the Chief Financial Officer of the Parish, as initial registrar for the Bonds (the "***Paying Agent***"), who shall note the amount of such prepayment in the space provided therefor on **Schedule B** to this Bond, and in such case of partial prepayment, the remaining principal shall continue to mature in annual installments using the percentages shown above. The Parish shall cause to be kept at the office of the Paying Agent a register in which registration of this Bond and of transfers of the Bonds shall be made as provided herein and in the hereinafter defined Bond Ordinance. This Bond may be transferred, registered and assigned only on such registration records of the Paying Agent, and such registration shall be at the expense of the Parish.

The purchase price of this Bond shall be paid to the Parish in installments, and interest on this Bond shall accrue only on the amount of the purchase price which shall have been paid to the Parish and not forgiven by the Department. The amount and payment date of each purchase price installment shall be noted on **Schedule A** attached hereto. The principal and interest on this Bond are payable in the manner set forth in the hereinafter defined Bond Ordinance.

This Bond represents the entire amount of bonds designated "*Taxable Revenue Bond (DEQ), Series 2027*" of the Parish in a principal sum of not exceeding One Million Five Hundred Thousand Dollars ($1,500,000) (the "***Bond***"), authorized by the Parish pursuant to an ordinance adopted by its governing authority on December 3, 2026 (the "***Bond Ordinance***"), for the purpose (i) paying costs of engineering, design, construction, and installation of improvements to sewerage facilities in the Parish, and (ii) paying the costs of issuance of the Bonds, as defined in the Bond Ordinance, under the authority conferred by Part II of Chapter 4 of Subtitle II of Title 39 of the Louisiana Revised Statutes of 1950, as amended, and/or other applicable laws (the "***Act***").

This Bond is secured by and payable from the from the environmental services revenues received by the Parish ("***Environmental Services Revenues***").. The Environmental Services Revenues are irrevocably and irrepealably pledged in an amount sufficient for the payment of this Bond in principal and interest and Administrative Fee as they respectively become due and

payable, including the other moneys to be applied to the payment of the expenses of operating and maintaining the System, and for the other purposes set forth in the Bond Ordinance. The Environmental Services Revenues shall be set aside in the funds and accounts described in the Bond Ordinance and shall be and remain so pledged for the security and payment of this Bond, in principal and interest and Administrative Fee, and for all other payments provided in the Bond Ordinance, until this Bond shall be fully paid and discharged. For a more complete statement of the revenues from which and conditions under which this Bond is payable, the general covenants and provisions pursuant to which this Bond is issued, and the provisions for the issuance of additional *pari passu* additional bonds hereafter under certain terms and conditions, reference is hereby made to the Bond Ordinance.

This Bond shall not be valid or become obligatory for any purpose or be entitled to any security or benefit under the Bond Ordinance until the certificate of registration hereon shall have been signed by the Paying Agent.

It is certified that this Bond is authorized by and is issued in conformity with the requirements of the Constitution and statutes of the State of Louisiana. It is further certified, recited and declared that all acts, conditions and things required to exist, to happen and to be performed precedent to and in the issuance of this Bond necessary to constitute the same a legal, binding and valid obligation of the Parish have existed, have happened and have been performed in due time, form and manner as required by law, and that the indebtedness of the Parish, including this Bond, does not exceed any limitation prescribed by the Constitution and statutes of the State of Louisiana, and that this Bond shall not be invalid for any irregularity or defect in the proceedings for the issuance and sale thereof.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the Parish Council of the Parish of St. Tammany, State of Louisiana, acting as the governing authority of the Issuer, has caused this Bond to be signed by its Parish President and the Chief Financial Officer of said Issuer, and the Council Clerk of said governing authority, the corporate seal of the Issuer to be hereon impressed and this Bond to be dated as of the Dated Date set forth above.

**PARISH OF ST. TAMMANY, STATE OF LOUISIANA**

(manual)
Council Clerk

(manual)
Parish President

(manual)
Chief Financial Officer

(SEAL)

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**REGISTRATION RECORD**

**TAXABLE REVENUE BOND (DEQ), SERIES 2027**
**OF THE**
**PARISH OF ST. TAMMANY, STATE OF LOUISIANA**

| Name and Address Of Registered Owner | Date of Registration | Signature of Chief Financial Officer as Paying Agent |
|---|---|---|
| Department of Environmental Quality<br>Clean Water State Revolving Fund<br>P.O. Box 4311<br>Baton Rouge, La. 70821-4311 | | |
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**SCHEDULE OF PREPAYMENTS**

**TAXABLE REVENUE BOND (DEQ), SERIES 2027**
**OF THE**
**PARISH OF ST. TAMMANY, STATE OF LOUISIANA**

| Prepayment Date | Prepayment Amount | Remaining Balance Due |
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**SCHEDULE A**
**SCHEDULE OF PURCHASE PRICE PAYMENTS**

**TAXABLE REVENUE BOND (DEQ), SERIES 2027**
**OF THE**
**PARISH OF ST. TAMMANY, STATE OF LOUISIANA**

| No. | Date of Payment | Amount of Payment | Pursuant to Requisition No. | Cumulative Outstanding Principal Amount |
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STATE OF LOUISIANA

PARISH OF ST. TAMMANY

I, the undersigned Council Clerk of the Parish of St. Tammany, State of Louisiana, do hereby certify that the foregoing pages constitute a true and correct copy of an ordinance adopted by the Parish Council on December 3, 2026, authorizing the issuance by the Parish of its Taxable Revenue Bond (DEQ), in an amount not to exceed One Million Five Hundred Thousand Dollars ($1,500,000) and providing for other matters in connection therewith.

IN FAITH WHEREOF, witness my official signature on this, the 3rd day of December, 2026.

Katrina L. Buckley, Council Clerk