ST. TAMMANY PARISH COUNCIL

ORDINANCE

ORDINANCE CALENDAR NO: 8223 ORDINANCE COUNCIL SERIES NO: 26-____

COUNCIL SPONSOR: MS. TANNER PROVIDED BY: CIVIL DIVISION

INTRODUCED BY: _____ SECONDED BY: _____

ON THE 5TH DAY OF NOVEMBER, 2026

ORDINANCE TO AUTHORIZE THE EXECUTION OF A CONTRACT AGREEMENT PURSUANT TO LA. R.S. 33:4791.1 BETWEEN ST. TAMMANY PARISH GOVERNMENT AND ACADIAN AMBULANCE SERVICE, INC. FOR THE PROVISION OF EMERGENCY AND NON-EMERGENCY AMBULANCE SERVICES WITHIN SPECIFIC SERVICE AREAS OF ST. TAMMANY PARISH.

WHEREAS, on December 12, 1996, the Police Jury of St. Tammany Parish, as governing authority, first entered into an Ambulance Service Agreement with Acadian Ambulance Service, Inc. to provide emergency and non-emergency medical transportation services within specific service areas in St. Tammany Parish; and

WHEREAS, over the course of the ensuing 30 years, various extensions of the original Agreement and new agreements have been awarded to Acadian Ambulance Service, Inc. by the St. Tammany Parish Council, as governing authority under the St. Tammany Parish Home Rule Charter approved by the voters October 3, 1998, because of consistent adherence to contractual requirements and the high level of service provided to the Parish by Acadian Ambulance Service, Inc.; and

WHEREAS, the Quality Assurance Panel met on October 14, 2026, and determined that Acadian Ambulance Service, Inc. continues to perform its services in a competent and professional manner and has met or exceeded all of the standards set forth in prior Agreements, and has recommended that the new proposed Contract for Emergency and Non-Emergency Air and Ground Ambulance Services (attached hereto as **Exhibit "A"**) with Acadian Ambulance Services. Inc. continues to be in the best interest of the citizens of St. Tammany Parish; and

WHEREAS, the Parish Council has determined that it is in the best interest of the general health, safety and welfare of the citizens of St. Tammany Parish to execute the new proposed Contract for Emergency and Non-Emergency Air and Ground Ambulance Services with Acadian Ambulance Services, Inc. as the sole, exclusive provider of emergency and non-emergency ambulance services within the geographical boundaries of the "Service Areas" defined by the agreement; and

WHEREAS, this determination was reached after careful consideration of the overall performance history of Acadian Ambulance Service, Inc. to St. Tammany Parish, its familiarity with the geographical regions of the Parish following years of prior service, the extensive resources Acadian has available to it in the service of the Parish, and the proven ability of Acadian Ambulance Service, Inc. to assist the Parish in times of natural or other disaster.

THE PARISH OF ST. TAMMANY HEREBY ORDAINS that it adopts the new Contract for Emergency and Non-Emergency Air and Ground Ambulance Services with Acadian Ambulance Services, Inc. (attached hereto as **Exhibit "A"**) as the exclusive provider of emergency ground and air ambulance services and non-emergency ground ambulance or stretcher transportation services within the specific service areas of St. Tammany Parish identified within the Agreement, and which Agreement provides for an initial term of four (4) years, commencing January 1, 2027 and ending December 31, 2030, and authorizes the Parish President to execute said Agreement and any intergovernmental agreement with any municipality that wishes to participate in the Agreement as part of the service areas included therein.

REPEAL: All ordinances or parts of ordinances in conflict herewith are hereby repealed.

SEVERABILITY: If any provision of this ordinance shall be held to be invalid, such invalidity shall not affect other provisions herein which can be given effect without the invalid provision and to this end the provisions of this ordinance are hereby declared severable.

EFFECTIVE DATE: This ordinance shall become effective fifteen (15) days after adoption.

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 DULY ADOPTED AT A REGULAR MEETING OF THE PARISH COUNCIL ON THE 3RD DAY OF DECEMBER, 2026; AND BECOMES ORDINANCE COUNCIL SERIES NO. 26-_____.

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CHERYL TANNER, COUNCIL CHAIR

ATTEST:

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KATRINA BUCKLEY, COUNCIL CLERK

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MICHAEL B. COOPER, PARISH PRESIDENT

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