STATE OF LOUISIANA

CITY OF WEST MONROE

ORDINANCE NO.	MOTION BY:	
	SECONDED BY:	

AN ORDINANCE TO AUTHORIZE THE CITY OF WEST MONROE, LOUISIANA, TO ENTER INTO A COOPERATIVE ENDEAVOR AGREEMENT WITH BILLY R. GOLSON WHICH PROVIDES THE INDUCEMENT TO ANNEX BY PROVIDING CERTAIN IMPROVEMENTS NECESSARY FOR GOLSON'S PROPANE AND NATURAL GAS ACCESSORIES TO OPERATE WITHIN THE CITY FOLLOWING THE ANNEXATION OF THE PROPERTY LOCATED AT 4326 CYPRESS STREET, AND TO PROVIDE FOR THE RE-PAYMENT OF THOSE IMPROVEMENTS; AND TO OTHERWISE PROVIDE WITH RESPECT THERETO.

WHEREAS, BILLY R. GOLSON, et ux ("Golson") owns property located at 4326 Cypress Street, West Monroe, Louisiana (sometimes "the property"); and

WHEREAS, Golson also operates Golson's Propane and Natural Gas Accessories (also commonly referred to as "Golson's" or "Golson's Propane") on the property, and

WHEREAS, the City of West Monroe ("City") wishes for the property to be annexed into the City, allowing the City to further expand its municipal boundaries westward along Cypress Street / US Highway 80, and to the areas located north of Cypress Street; and

WHEREAS, Golson is agreeable with annexing the property into the City but does not want to be required to incur any expenses to improve the property in order to continue to conduct his business, however minimal those expenses may be; and

WHEREAS, the City insists on certain improvements be utilized in businesses throughout the City as minimum standards of safety; and

WHEREAS, City has further determined that the expense to improve the property to the standards required by the City are less than \$5,000.00, and the City is willing to assist Golson in improving the property in order that it have the appropriate safety standards following its annexation into the City, and that any costs incurred by the City in assisting Golson in the manner described above will be offset by the City's portion of the sales taxes that will be collected by the City from the continued operations of Golson's business over a period of less than two (2) years.

NOW, THEREFORE,

SECTION 1. BE IT ORDAINED by the Mayor and Board of Aldermen of the City of West Monroe, Louisiana, in regular and legal session convened, that Mayor Staci Albritton Mitchell be and she is hereby authorized to enter into a Cooperative Endeavor Agreement with Billy R Golson d/b/a Golson's Propane and Natural Gas Accessories (also commonly referred to as "Golson's" or "Golson's Propane"), whereby the City will provide the assistance in undertaking certain improvements required by the City of businesses located within the City by itself arranging for and overseeing properly qualified persons to complete those necessary improvements for Golson, and Golson will annex his business property into the City and provide assurance to the City that his continued business operations at that location will result in the receipt of sales taxes not otherwise received which will offset the cost incurred by the City in arranging for and overseeing the necessary improvements, all as is more fully provided in the proposed Cooperative Endeavor Agreement attached as Exhibit "A".

SECTION 2. BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED, by the Mayor and Board of Aldermen of the City of West Monroe, Louisiana, in regular and legal session convened, that Staci Albritton Mitchell, as Mayor of the City of West Monroe, Louisiana, is hereby further authorized to include such further specific provisions in that Cooperative Endeavor Agreement which she determines will best achieve the result stated above, all as she deems it necessary or appropriate in order to accomplish the desired objectives, and to thereafter execute that Cooperative Endeavor Agreement; and to further take any and all further actions and to execute any and all further documents she deems either necessary or proper to carry out the activities arising out of that Cooperative Endeavor Agreement described above according to its terms and its intent.

The above Ordinance was read and considered by Sections at a public meeting of the Mayor and Board of Aldermen, in regular and legal session convened, voted on by yea and nay vote, passed and adopted this 7th day of May, 2024, the final vote being as follows:

YEA:	
NAY:	
NOT VOTING:	
ABSENT:	
ATTEST:	
	APPROVED THIS 7TH DAY OF MAY, 2024
CINDY EMORY, CITY CLERK	THOM HAMILTON, MAYOR PRO TEM
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STATE OF LOUISIANA	STATE OF LOUISIANA