Introduced December 15, 2009, by Councilman Borchert, seconded by Councilman Hursey

RESOLUTION R09-34

A resolution in support of legislation increasing the jurisdictional limit of Slidell City Court for evictions.

WHEREAS, currently Slidell City Court has a \$3,000.00 jurisdictional limit for evictions from residential or commercial properties compared to a \$5,000.00 limit for Justices of the Peace; and

WHEREAS, the current jurisdictional limit has forced certain property owners to file evictions in the 22nd Judicial District Court in Covington which entails higher court costs and greater delays; and

WHEREAS, Slidell City Court Judge Jim Lamz has requested that the jurisdictional limit for evictions in Slidell City Court be made equal to the jurisdictional limit granted to Justices of the Peace for evictions; and

WHEREAS, the Slidell City Council agrees with Judge Lamz's request and desires to support such request.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT ORDAINED by the Slidell City Council that it does hereby support the request by Judge Lamz to Louisiana Representatives Cromer (District 90) and Pearson (District 76) that the jurisdictional limit for evictions in Slidell City Court be made equal to the jurisdictional limit granted to Justices of the Peace as stated in a letter from Judge Lamz to the Representatives Cromer and Pearson dated December 7, 2009 attached hereto.

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ADOPTED this 15th day of December, 2009.

Rickey Hursey President of the Council Councilman, District B

Thomas P. Reeves Council Administrator