

1 Introduced June 22, 2010, by Councilman
2 Hicks, seconded by Council Members
3 Cusimano, Harbison, Hursey, Crockett,
4 Fraught, Canada, Devereux, Borchert

5 **RESOLUTION R10-20**

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7 A resolution honoring Ben O. Morris for twenty years of dedicated service to
8 the City of Slidell.

9 WHEREAS, Ben Morris was elected as Chief of Police for the City of Slidell
10 in 1990; and

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12 WHEREAS, Ben Morris served as Chief of Police for the City of Slidell for
13 twelve years; and

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15 WHEREAS, during those twelve years with much hard work and vision, Ben
16 Morris turned the Slidell Police Department into a nationally accredited police department;
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20 WHEREAS, in 2002 Ben Morris was elected as Mayor of the City of Slidell in
21 which he served a four year term and was re-elected as Mayor in 2006 serving another
22 four year term; and
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25 WHEREAS, during his first term of office, in August of 2005, the City of
26 Slidell was devastated by a direct hit of Hurricane Katrina; and
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29 WHEREAS, the devastation that Hurricane Katrina caused was felt
30 throughout the entire City of Slidell; and
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32 WHEREAS, Ben Morris, through his brave leadership and unwavering
33 determination brought this City back from the depths of darkness faster and stronger than
34 any other City affected by Hurricane Katrina; and
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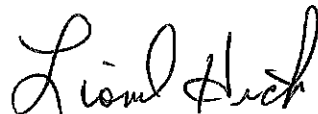
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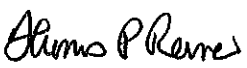
4 WHEREAS, under the leadership of Ben Morris, thousands of citizens of
5 Slidell enjoy award winning Bayou Jam Concert Series free of charge, beautiful brand new
6 buildings in which to conduct their business, a better quality of life and a cleaner city
7 through the Keep Slidell Beautiful program, has made it possible for the City of Slidell to
8 become a Tree City USA, and is responsible for so many other quality of life programs.
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12 WHEREAS, the City of Slidell will be forever grateful to Ben Morris for his
13 untiring service and dedication to the City of Slidell.
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15 NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the Slidell City Council that it does
16 hereby honor Ben O. Morris for his 20 years of dedicated service to the City of Slidell.
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18 **ADOPTED** this 22nd day of June, 2010.
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22 Lionel Hicks
23 President of the Council
24 Councilman, District A

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27 Thomas P. Reeves
28 Council Administrator
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