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9 Introduced January 16, 1987 by  
10 Councilman Washington, seconded by  
11 Councilman Callahan (both by request)  
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15 **RESOLUTION R87-4**  
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18 WHEREAS, the Parish of St. Tammany has created Sales Tax  
19 District No. 3 and levied a two (2%) percent sales tax therein;  
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24 WHEREAS, the creation of this District will have a  
25 direct effect on future annexations into municipalities in St.  
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27 Tammany Parish, Louisiana; and  
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30 WHEREAS, the United Chambers of Commerce have presented  
31 a proposed solution which would benefit both the Parish and  
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33 Municipalities; and  
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36 WHEREAS, the Police Jury has rejected this proposal but  
37 has formed a committee to study alternatives; and  
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40 WHEREAS, this Council believes that the establishment of  
41 Sales Tax District No. 3 will result in double taxation of some  
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43 City property owners and negatively impact future economic  
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45 development in St. Tammany Parish; and  
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48 WHEREAS, this Council wishes to continue to work with  
49 the Police Jury to find an amicable solution to this problem but  
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51 would be amiss in performing its duties if it allowed the  
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53 prescriptive period to challenge the sales tax district to expire  
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55 without filing suit; and  
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58 WHEREAS, various private parties have expressed an  
59 interest in joining the City of Slidell in any legal action which  
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61 may be filed in order to eliminate the inequity of double taxation  
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63 on some Parish properties; and  
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66 WHEREAS, the Police Jury has threatened several  
67 additional legal actions attacking several of the City's  
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69 annexations; and  
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72 WHEREAS, the City Attorney has requested permission to  
73 employ an assistant city attorney to assist in handling the  
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75 City's legal business while she defends these lawsuits;  
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12 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Slidell City  
13 Council that the Mayor, without further authorization from this  
14 Council, may direct the City Attorney or any special counsel  
15 Council, may direct the City Attorney or any special counsel  
16 selected by the Mayor to take legal actions necessary on  
17 behalf of the City of Slidell and any property owner of St.  
18 Tammany Parish to halt the bonding of the sales tax being  
19 collected in Sales Tax District No. 3 and have said tax declared  
20 invalid;  
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23 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Mayor is authorized to  
24 sign any and all agreements needed to indemnify the named  
25 plaintiffs in any lawsuit filed in connection with this matter by  
26 the City Attorney or special counsel, holding them harmless from  
27 any expenses whatsoever;  
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30 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the City Attorney is  
31 authorized to contract Timothy Mathison as a part-time Assistant  
32 City Attorney at a rate of \$65.00 per hour;  
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35 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that this Council hereby expresses  
36 its intention to continue to work with the committee appointed by  
37 the Police Jury to attempt to find a quick solution to this problem  
38 without the necessity of prolonged litigation.  
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41 ADOPTED this 16th day of January, 1987.  
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