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7 Introduced April 26, 1988 by  
8 Councilman Barthelemy, seconded by  
9 Councilman Van Sandt (by request)

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13 **RESOLUTION R88-20**  
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17 A resolution expressing the City of Slidell's interest  
18 in participating in the Louisiana Enterprise Zone Program and a  
19 designation of such enterprise zone.  
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22 WHEREAS, the Louisiana Enterprise Zone Act of 1981, Act 901  
23 was enacted by the Louisiana State Legislature, and Act 337 was  
24 enacted by the 1982 legislative session, and Act 433 was enacted by  
25 the 1987 Legislature; and  
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29 WHEREAS, the Louisiana Enterprise Zone Program offers sig-  
30 nificant incentives for economic development to some of the most  
31 distressed areas in the city; and  
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35 WHEREAS, the Louisiana Department of Commerce and Industry has  
36 designated certain Block Groups in the City of Slidell as  
37 enterprise zone eligible based upon demographic and economic  
38 factors; and  
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42 WHEREAS, the City of Slidell requests that the following  
43 Block Group be designated as an enterprise zone for the purpose  
44 of implementing the Louisiana Enterprise Zone Program, and  
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WHEREAS, in accordance with the Louisiana Enterprise Zone  
Program requirements, the City of Slidell agrees as follows:

1. If approached by an industry that would assume all costs involved, it would apply with the U.S. Department of Commerce to have the enterprise zone area declared a free trade zone.
2. To devise and implement a program to improve police protection within the zone or zones.

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13 3. To provide assistance to the Department of Commerce  
14 in certifying employers to be eligible for the benefits  
15 of this program. This would include verification of  
16 the location of the business, number of employees and  
17 other verification required at the local level.  
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22 4. To exempt local sales taxes on the purchase of the  
23 material used in the construction of a building, or any  
24 addition or improvement thereon for housing any legi-  
25 timate business enterprise, and machinery and equipment  
26 used in that enterprise where permissible. This tax  
27 exemption would be on material, construction and equipment  
28 used by that business on that site only.  
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32 5. To cooperate with the Department of Commerce in reviewing  
33 certain local regulations which may serve to discourage  
34 economic development within the enterprise zone.  
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37 6. To assist the department in evaluating progress made in any  
38 enterprise zone within its jurisdiction. This would  
39 entail a comparative analysis of conditions in the zone  
40 prior to designation (number of workers employed there  
41 and businesses) and conditions after designation (six  
42 months or a year, etc.).  
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46 7. To keep the department informed whenever changes occur  
47 within the zone.  
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60 NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the Slidell City Council  
61 in legal session convened, this day of , 1988 that the  
62 City of Slidell will participate in the Louisiana Enterprise Zone  
63 Program and request designation by the Louisiana Department of  
64 Commerce and Industry of the aforementioned Block Group as an  
65 enterprise zone.  
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72 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that if any provision of this  
73 resolution or the application thereof is held invalid, such  
74 invalidity shall not effect other provisions, items or applications  
75 of this resolution which can be given effect without the invalid  
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provision, items or applications and to this end the provisions of this resolution are hereby declared severable.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that all resolutions or parts thereof in conflict herewith are hereby repealed.

ADOPTED this 24th day of May, 1988.

*Richard B. Van Sandt*  
Richard B. Van Sandt  
Councilman, District C  
President of the Council.

*Davis Dautreuil*  
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Council Administrator/Clerk of the Council