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7 Introduced May 23, 1989, by
8 Councilmen Van Sandt and Salvaggio,
9 seconded by Councilman-at-Large
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13 **RESOLUTION R89-31**
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16 A resolution emphasizing a need for the U.S. Highway 11
17 bridge across Lake Pontchartrain, and requesting State Officials
18 to forego any considerations for its closure.
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20 WHEREAS, a recommendation has been made by Mr. John
21 Evanco, a Department of Transportation and Development official,
22 to close the U.S. Highway 11 bridge across Lake Pontchartrain; and
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24 WHEREAS, said bridge has served the citizens of
25 Slidell and St. Tammany Parish for sixty-one (61) years; and
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27 WHEREAS, business establishments have and continue to
28 depend upon the bridge for their livelihood; and
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30 WHEREAS, said bridge provides an alternate and
31 evacuation route for motorists; and
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33 WHEREAS, more than ten thousand (10,000) vehicles
34 travel the bridge daily; and
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36 WHEREAS, the construction of a new interchange at I-10
37 and Eden Isles will not substantially impact the traffic on said
38 bridge; and
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40 WHEREAS, the closure of the bridge will greatly
41 increase the traffic on I-10's twin span across Lake
42 Pontchartrain and thereby make it more hazardous; and
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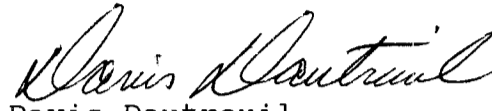
44 WHEREAS, large trucks are the major cause of much of
45 the deterioration and wear and tear on the bridge.
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47 NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Slidell City
48 Council does hereby urge the Governor of the State of Louisiana,
49 the Legislative Delegation of St. Tammany Parish, and the
50 Secretary of the State Department of Transportation and
51 Development to keep the bridge open.
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53 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that consideration should be
54 given to restricting traffic across the bridge to passenger
55 vehicles by establishing a "No Truck Route" across the bridge,
56 thereby reducing the deterioration, wear, and tear placed upon
57 the bridge.
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12 ADOPTED this 23rd day of May, 1989.
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17 Philip M. Salvaggio
18 Councilman, District F
19 President of the Council
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25 Council Administrator/Clerk of the Council
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