Introduced July 11, 1989, by Councilwoman Williams, seconded by Councilman Salvaggio

RESOLUTION R89-38

 $\mbox{\sc A}$ resolution urging maximum use of the Mississippi Army Ammunition Plant.

WHEREAS, the United States Army has an ammunition plant in southwest Mississippi; and

WHEREAS, said ammunition plant has a tremendous economic impact on Slidell, Louisiana, and its surrounding area; and

WHEREAS, the Army has announced its intentions to phase out the plant by not letting new contracts; and

WHEREAS, extensive renovations to the plant in the amount of \$117 million were completed in December of 1988; and

WHEREAS, these modifications greatly enhanced the cost effectiveness of production; and

WHEREAS, the United States Army has projected an estimated cost of \$90 million to close the plant; and

WHEREAS, there will be a \$13 million annual cost to maintain the facility and equipment in a non-deteriorating state; and

WHEREAS, taxpayers should have more efficient use of tax dollars.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the Slidell City
Council that it does hereby urge the United States Army to
continue to operate and maintain the Mississippi Army Ammunition
Plant to its maximum capability.

ADOPTED this 11th day of July, 1989.

Philip M. Salvaggio Councilman, District F President of the Council

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Council Administrator/Clerk of the Council