Introduced December 14, 1993, by Councilman Berault, seconded by Councilman Schedler (by request)

RESOLUTION R93-53

A resolution opposing the use of a former restaurant at 1510 West Lindberg Drive as a dance hall and lounge, and the issuance of a liquor license thereto.

WHEREAS, the St. Tammany Parish Planning and Zoning Commission has approved a use permit for a dance hall and lounge in what was known as the former Catfish Charlie Restaurant on I-10 West Service Road between Gause Boulevard and Fremaux Avenue; and

WHEREAS, at this same meeting, the St. Tammany Parish Planning and Zoning Commission denied a similar request for the use of a building for the same purposes at a location on Military Road and East Gause Boulevard; and

WHEREAS, this denial was based upon the strong and vocal opposition of local residents in the area concerned about possible negative effects this facility would have on their neighborhood; and

WHEREAS, the Code of Ordinances for the St. Tammany Police Jury Section 3-164 Location Restrictions provides for a five hundred feet (500') minimum distance to the nearest church as measured from the nearest property line of the premise to be licensed as described in the application; and

WHEREAS, Black's Louisiana Law Dictionary describes the premise as the nearest point of ground upon which the building and/or land is located; and

WHEREAS, the establishment making the request is within three hundred seventy-five feet (375') from the First Assembly of God Church; and

WHEREAS, the First Assembly of God has submitted a request for the denial stating their opposition to plans for a lounge and dance hall at this location; and

WHEREAS, the Lake Homeowner's Association, which is comprised of residents whose properties also border on the lake, shares the same concerns as do the residents in the Military Road/Gause Boulevard area for this type of establishment.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the Slidell City Council that it does hereby request the St. Tammany Parish Police Jury to deny the use of the former Catfish Charlie establishment located at 1510 West Lindberg Drive as a dance hall and

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lounge, and also to deny the liquor license being applied for, and further advises that such an establishment could have an adverse impact on the church within three hundred seventy-five feet (375') of said property, the public park-and-ride parking lot adjacent thereto, and the residents of Lake Homeowners Association.

ADOPTED this 14th day of Defember, 1993

Councilman, District F
President of the Council

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Council Administrator/Clerk of the Council