Introduced March 28, 1995, by Council Members Schedler and Singletary, seconded by Council Members Washington, Callahan, Van Sandt, Levy, Livaudais, Williams, and Smith

RESOLUTION R95-09

A resolution reaffirming the City of Slidell's opposition to all forms of gambling and all related matters in connection therewith.

WHEREAS, the City of Slidell has and continues to officially oppose all forms of gaming in St. Tammany Parish by prior resolutions and acts of the Council; and

WHEREAS, the Slidell City Council does hereby once again express its opposition to riverboat gambling, land based casino gambling, and video poker gambling; and

WHEREAS, the Slidell City Council urges the Louisiana State Legislature to enact any of the several laws under consideration to enable local governing authorities to initiate more control for all forms of gaming; and

WHEREAS, the City of Slidell further calls upon its Legislative Delegation to permit the citizens of the State of Louisiana to decide its own interest relative to gaming by permitting local options; and

WHEREAS, the Slidell City Council urges its citizens to vote against all forms of gambling if the opportunity should present itself; and

WHEREAS, through State Legislation the City of Slidell receives approximately \$250,000 a year from video poker; and

WHEREAS, the City of Slidell is not dependant upon this form of revenue to enhance the quality of life of the citizens of Slidell or make any infrastructure City improvements; and

WHEREAS, the City enacted Resolution R94-53 in good faith to designate the use of gambling proceeds to foster higher education by the temporary funding of maintenance of the NASA facility;

WHEREAS, some people have taken this effort on the part of the Slidell City

Council to possibly promote further gambling in our community; and

WHEREAS, it was never the Slidell City Council's intention to foster or enhance any kind of gaming; and

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WHEREAS, the Mayor of the City of Slidell supports this position on gaming and thereby expresses complete unity within the government of the City of Slidell regarding gambling.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the Slidell City Council that it does hereby rescind Resolution R94-53 wherein certain gaming proceeds were dedicated to attract to our community higher education by the temporary funding of maintenance for the NASA building.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Slidell City Council does hereby restate its position against all forms of gambling in our community and urges its Legislative Delegation to permit more local control and referendum determinations by the voting public thereon.

BE IT FINALLY RESOLVED that the Slidell City Council does hereby express its opposition to the proliferation of all gambling activities in our community.

Adopted this 28th day of March, 1995.

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

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Council Administrator/Clerk of the Council

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