Introduced June 26, 2001, by Councilwoman Williams, seconded by Councilman Washington

RESOLUTION NO. R01-15

A resolution requesting the U.S. Congressional Delegation for the City of Slidell support an increased presence of the Social Security Administration in the Slidell and Greater Slidell area.

WHEREAS, the Social Security Administration has announced its intention to close its City of Slidell office location on September 4, 2001; and

WHEREAS, heretofore, Social Security Administration was maintaining a one day a month presence in that office; and

WHEREAS, the City of Slidell and its greater metropolitan area have a need for a permanent staff and office as our number of elderly people and people receiving Social Security are increasing; and

WHEREAS, some of these people have difficulty traveling to Covington, which is the domicile of the local Social Security Office; and

WHEREAS, the Social Security Administration has a 1-800 national number which causes our citizens extreme difficulty in dealing with local problems.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the Slidell City Council that it does hereby request its U.S. Congressional Delegation to seek and provide a permanent full time Social Security Office for the eastern section of St. Tammany Parish and, in the alternative, to provide a higher presence of staff by the Social Security Administration in the Slidell area, and does further request that they have a local telephone number for direct dialing throughout the Parish for Social Security recipients.

BE IT FINALLY RESOLVED that in the very near future all telephone calls throughout St. Tammany Parish will be local, which further necessitates the need for a local telephone number for the district office in Covington, Louisiana.

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ADOPTED this 26th day of June, 2001.

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Council Administrator/Clerk of the Council