

1 Introduced July 9, 2002, by Councilman
2 Binder, seconded by Council Members
3 Burkhalter, Cusimano, Canada, Harbison,
4 Cromer, Williams and Livaudais
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7 **RESOLUTION NO. R02-14**
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9 A resolution stating the Slidell City Council's support of the present text of
10 our nation's Pledge of Allegiance.
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12 WHEREAS, the 9th Circuit Court of Appeals has ruled on June 26, 2002
13 that the inclusion of the words "Under God" in the Pledge of Allegiance is
14 unconstitutional; and
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18 WHEREAS, this decision affects the states of Alaska, Arizona, California,
19 Hawaii, Idaho, Montana, Nevada, Oregon, and Washington; and
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22 WHEREAS, the Council wishes to join our fellow citizens in the western
23 United States in dealing with this issue until its hopeful reversal by the United States
24 Supreme Court; and
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28 WHEREAS, the Slidell City Council recites the nation's Pledge of
29 Allegiance at the beginning of each meeting; and
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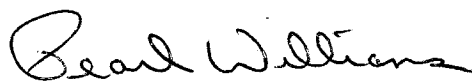
32 WHEREAS, the Council feels it is important to keep intact the present text
33 of the Pledge that was adopted in 1954.
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36 NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the Slidell City Council that it
37 does hereby oppose the 9th Circuit's decision and urges the United States Supreme
38 Court to overturn this ruling.
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5 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Slidell City Council also implores
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7 Louisiana's Congressional delegation to support national legislation which authorizes
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9 the long-standing reading of the United States of America's Pledge of Allegiance to
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11 include the words "Under God", as it has stood in its present form since 1954.
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15 **ADOPTED** this 9th day of July, 2002.

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18 Pearl Williams
19 President of the Council
20 Councilwoman-At-Large
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24 Shawn B. McManus
25 Clerk of the Council
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