Introduced September 9, 2003, by Council Members Harbison and Williams, seconded by Council Members Livaudais, Burkhalter, Binder, Cusimano, Kingston, Canada, and Cromer

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A resolution by the Slidell City Council supporting a VA Outpatient Clinic operating in Slidell.

WHEREAS, the CARES Commission is prepared to recommend St.

Tammany Parish for a VA outpatient clinic in this region; and

WHEREAS, St. Tammany Parish is the fastest growing parish and the fifth largest parish in the State of Louisiana and has a great number of veterans who would benefit from this facility; and

WHEREAS, the City of Slidell is located within easy access to three existing interstates, namely I-12, I-10 and I-59; and

WHEREAS, having a VA Outpatient Clinic in Slidell would improve and enhance the quality of service to the 32,227 veterans currently residing in St. Tammany, Washington and Tangipahoa parishes; and

WHEREAS, the elected officials of the City of Slidell support this endeavor.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the Slidell City Council that it does hereby support a VA outpatient clinic to be located in Slidell, Louisiana.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the entire Northshore area, including St. Tammany, Washington and Tangipahoa Parishes, would best be served by a VA outpatient clinic located in the Slidell area.

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ADOPTED this 9th day of September, 2003.

Jerry Binder President of the Council Councilman, District B

Shawn B. McManus Clerk of the Council