



## RESOLUTION

### A Resolution Supporting the St. Tammany Parish Library Millage Renewal

WHEREAS, the St. Tammany Parish Library (the “Library”) operates twelve (12) locations in St. Tammany Parish where, in 2024, there were more than 600,000 visitors, more than 1,000,000 items checked out, nearly 170,000 Wi-Fi users, and more than 4,000 library and community events; and

WHEREAS, for years, the Library has been funded by an expiring 5.35 mills of ad valorem property taxes; and

WHEREAS, due to the retirement of the bonds used to pay for construction of the Madisonville branch and the collection of funds for planned capital projects – the Lacombe Library replacement and Slidell expansion – the Library only wishes to renew a part of its millage, 4.35 mills; and

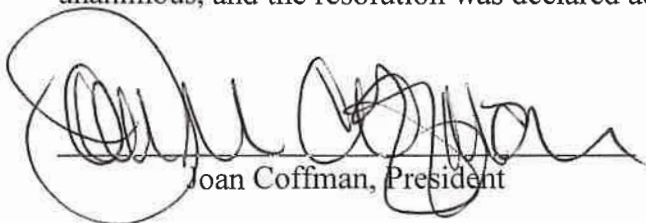
WHEREAS, the Board of Commissioners of the St. Tammany Parish Development District/St. Tammany Economic Development Corporation (the “District”) believe that a properly funded Library is essential, not just for the direct benefit of Parish residents, but for the continuation of St. Tammany Parish’s reputation as a community with first-class amenities and services, making St. Tammany Parish a draw for economic development and job creation which enhance the tax base and provide greater opportunities for Parish residents.

THEREFORE, IT IS RESOLVED by the Board of Commissioners of the St. Tammany Parish Development District:

That the Board of Commissioners of the St. Tammany Parish Development District fully supports the St. Tammany Library’s request for a 4.35 mills renewal for a period of fifteen years in the March 2025 election.

That this statement of support shall be provided to the Library for their use in promoting the millage renewal and a copy to be included in the minutes of the March 20, 2025 meeting of Board of Commissioners.

The foregoing resolution having been submitted to a vote of the Board, the vote thereon was unanimous, and the resolution was declared adopted on this 20<sup>th</sup> day of March 2025.



Joan Coffman, President



Paul Myers, IV, Secretary/Treasurer