

RESOLUTION

The Resolution was thereupon signed by the President Pro Tempore and attested by the Council Administrator, and declared to be adopted. The Resolution provides as follows:

RESOLUTION NO.

A RESOLUTION ORDERING AND CALLING A SPECIAL ELECTION TO BE HELD IN THE PARISH OF EAST BATON ROUGE, STATE OF LOUISIANA (THE "**PARISH**"), ON SATURDAY, JUNE 27, 2026, TO AUTHORIZE THE PARISH TO CONTINUE TO LEVY AND COLLECT A 2 MILLS AD VALOREM TAX ((THE "**TAX**") (AN ESTIMATED \$12,541,000 REASONABLY EXPECTED TO BE COLLECTED FROM THE LEVY OF THE TAX FOR AN ENTIRE YEAR), FOR A PERIOD OF TEN (10) YEARS, BEGINNING WITH THE YEAR 2027 AND ENDING WITH THE YEAR 2036, AND SHALL THE PROCEEDS OF THE TAX (AFTER PAYING REASONABLE AND NECESSARY EXPENSES OF COLLECTING AND ADMINISTERING THE TAX) BE USED ENTIRELY AND EXCLUSIVELY BY THE EAST BATON ROUGE COUNCIL ON THE AGING, INC., OR ANY SUCCESSOR THERETO (THE "COUNCIL ON AGING") TO PROVIDE FUNDS TO OPERATE AND MAINTAIN PROGRAMS, SERVICES, AND ACTIVITIES FOR ELDERLY CITIZENS IN THE PARISH, INCLUDING MEALS ON WHEELS, SENIOR CENTERS, RESPITE SERVICES, HOUSING, TRANSPORTATION, NUTRITION, WELLNESS, AND RECREATIONAL PROGRAMS; TO ACQUIRE, CONSTRUCT, OPERATE AND MAINTAIN FACILITIES TO SERVE ELDERLY CITIZENS IN THE PARISH; AND TO OTHERWISE FUND THE OPERATING BUDGET OF THE COUNCIL ON AGING; DECLARING AN EMERGENCY PURSUANT TO SECTION 8.24 OF THE PLAN OF GOVERNMENT OF THE CITY OF BATON ROUGE AND PARISH OF EAST BATON ROUGE; MAKING APPLICATION TO THE STATE BOND COMMISSION; PROVIDING NOTICE THAT A PUBLIC HEARING REGARDING THE ADOPTION OF THIS RESOLUTION BY THE METROPOLITAN COUNCIL SHALL BE HELD ON WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 11, 2026, AT 4:00 P.M. AT THE REGULAR MEETING PLACE OF THE METROPOLITAN COUNCIL, THIRD FLOOR, CITY HALL, ROOM 348, 222 ST. LOUIS STREET, BATON ROUGE, LOUISIANA; AND PROVIDING FOR OTHER MATTERS IN CONNECTION THEREWITH.

WHEREAS, at an election held on Tuesday, November 8, 2016, voters of the Parish of East Baton Rouge, State of Louisiana (the "**Parish**") voted to authorize the levy and collection of an 2.25 mills ad valorem tax for a period of ten (10) years, beginning with the tax collection for the year 2017, and annually thereafter, to and including the year 2026; and

WHEREAS, the Metropolitan Council of the Parish of East Baton Rouge and City of Baton Rouge (the “**Metropolitan Council**”), acting as the governing authority of the Parish of East Baton Rouge, State of Louisiana (the “**Parish**”), desires to order and call a special election to be held in the Parish on Saturday, June 27, 2026, to authorize the Parish to continue to levy and collect a 2 mills ad valorem tax (the “**Tax**”) for an additional ten (10) years, beginning with the year 2027, to and including the year 2036, with the proceeds of the Tax be used exclusively by the East Baton Rouge Council on the Aging, Inc., or any successor thereto (the “**Council on Aging**”) to provide funds to operate and maintain programs, services, and activities for elderly citizens in the Parish, including Meals on Wheels, Senior Centers, Respite Services, Housing, Transportation, Nutrition, Wellness, and Recreational Programs; to acquire, construct, operate and maintain facilities to serve elderly citizens in the Parish; and to otherwise fund the operating budget of the Council on Aging.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Metropolitan Council of the Parish of East Baton Rouge and City of Baton Rouge, acting as the governing authority of the Parish of East Baton Rouge, State of Louisiana:

SECTION 1. That in accordance with Section 8.24 of the Plan of Government of the City of Baton Rouge and Parish of East Baton Rouge, the Metropolitan Council hereby determines that an emergency exists and hereby approved the calling of an special election to be held in the Parish of East Baton Rouge on June 27, 2026, such election to be held for the purpose of authorizing the continuation of the levy and collection of a special ad valorem tax of 2 mills for the purposes hereinafter described.

SECTION 2. That, subject to the approval of the State Bond Commission and under and pursuant to the authority conferred by Article VI, Sections 26, 30 and 32 of the Constitution of the State of Louisiana of 1974 (the “**Constitution**”), and the applicable provisions of Chapter 6-A and Chapter 6-B of Title 18 of the Louisiana Revised Statutes of 1950, as amended, and other constitutional and statutory authority supplemental thereto, a special election be and the same is hereby called and ordered to be held in the Parish of East Baton Rouge, State of Louisiana (the “**Parish**”), on SATURDAY, JUNE 27, 2026, between the hours of seven (7:00) o'clock a.m. and eight (8:00) o'clock p.m., in compliance with the provisions of Section 541 of Title 18 of the Louisiana Revised Statutes of 1950, as amended (La. R.S. 18:54), and that at the said election there shall be submitted to all registered voters qualified and entitled to vote at the said election under the Constitution and laws of the State of Louisiana and the Constitution of the United States of America, the following proposition, to-wit:

PROPOSITION
(COUNCIL ON AGING MILLAGE RENEWAL)

Shall the Parish of East Baton Rouge, State of Louisiana (the "Parish") be authorized to continue to levy and collect a 2 mills ad valorem tax (the “Tax”) (an estimated \$12,541,000 reasonably expected to be collected from the levy of the Tax for an entire year), for a period of ten (10) years, beginning with the year 2027 and ending with the year 2036, and shall the proceeds of the Tax (after paying reasonable and necessary expenses of collecting and administering the Tax) be used entirely and exclusively by the East Baton Rouge Council on the Aging, Inc., or any successor thereto (the “Council on Aging”) to provide funds to operate and maintain programs, services, and

activities for elderly citizens in the Parish, including Meals on Wheels, Senior Centers, Respite Services, Housing, Transportation, Nutrition, Wellness, and Recreational Programs; to acquire, construct, operate and maintain facilities to serve elderly citizens in the Parish; and to otherwise fund the operating budget of the Council on Aging?

SECTION 3. That conditioned on the extension and rededication of the levy of the Tax at the June 27, 2026 election authorized pursuant to this resolution, all avails or proceeds of the Tax, for a period of ten (10) years, beginning with the tax collection for the year 2027, to and including the year 2037 (after paying the reasonable and necessary expenses of collecting and administering the Tax) shall be used such that the Tax shall be used exclusively by the East Baton Rouge Council on the Aging, Inc., or any successor thereto (the “Council on Aging”) to provide funds to operate and maintain programs, services, and activities for elderly citizens in the Parish, including Meals on Wheels, Senior Centers, Respite Services, Housing, Transportation, Nutrition, Wellness, and Recreational Programs; to acquire, construct, operate and maintain facilities to serve elderly citizens in the Parish; and to otherwise fund the operating budget of the Council on Aging.

SECTION 4. That, in accordance with La. R.S. 18:1285, there shall be published in “*The Advocate*”, a daily newspaper of general circulation within the Parish, published in the City of Baton Rouge, and being the official journal of the Parish of East Baton Rouge and City of Baton Rouge, once a week for four (4) consecutive weeks, with the first publication to be made not less than forty-five (45) days nor more than ninety (90) days prior to the date fixed for said election, which notice shall be substantially in accordance with the Notice of Special Election annexed hereto as Exhibit A and incorporated herein by reference the same as if it were set forth herein in full.

SECTION 5. That this Metropolitan Council, acting as the governing authority of the Parish, shall meet at its regular meeting place, the Council Chambers, City Hall, Third Floor, Room 348, 222 St. Louis Street, Baton Rouge, Louisiana, on WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 12, 2026, at FOUR (4:00) O’CLOCK P.M., and shall then and there in open and public session proceed to examine and canvass the returns and declare the result of the said election.

SECTION 6. That the polling places set forth in the aforesaid Notice of Special Election and situated within the corporate limits of the Parish be and the same are hereby designated as the polling places at which to hold the said election in accordance with Section 1286 or Section 1286.1, as the case may be, of Title 18 of the Louisiana Revised Statutes of 1950, as amended, and the Commissioners-in-Charge and Commissioners, respectively, will be those persons designated according to law in accordance with Section 1286 or Section 1286.1, as the case may be, of Title 18 of the Louisiana Revised Statutes of 1950, as amended.

SECTION 7. That the officers designated to serve as Commissioners-in-Charge and Commissioners, respectively, pursuant to Section 6 hereof and in accordance with Section 1286 or Section 1286.1, as the case may be, of Title 18 of the Louisiana Revised Statutes of 1950, as amended, or such substitutes therefor as may be selected and designated in compliance with Section 1287 of Title 18 of the Louisiana Revised Statutes of 1950, as amended, shall hold the said special election as herein provided, shall make due returns of said special election for the meeting of the Metropolitan Council to be held on Wednesday, August 12, 2026, and that the compensation

of said officers be and the same is hereby fixed at the sum prescribed by law. All registered voters in the Parish are entitled to vote at the said election and voting machines shall be used thereat.

SECTION 8. That the Council Administrator of this Metropolitan Council be and is hereby empowered, authorized and directed to arrange for and to furnish to said election officers in ample time for the holding of said election the necessary equipment, forms and other paraphernalia essential to the proper holding of said election.

SECTION 9. That, in accordance with La. R.S. 18:1285(B)(1), certified copies of this resolution shall be forwarded to the Secretary of State, the Clerk of Court and Ex-Officio Parish Custodian of Voting Machines in and for the Parish, and the Registrar of Voters in and for the Parish, as notification of the election herein called in order that each may prepare for said election and perform their respective functions as required by law.

SECTION 10. That application be and the same is hereby formally authorized to be made to the State Bond Commission for consent and authority to hold the aforesaid election as herein provided, and that a certified copy of this resolution shall be forwarded to the State Bond Commission on behalf of this Metropolitan Council, together with a letter requesting the prompt consideration and approval of said application.

SECTION 11. Pursuant to the provisions of La. R.S. 18:1284(C), an estimated \$12,541,000 is reasonably expected at this time to be collected from the levy of the Tax for an entire year.

SECTION 12. This Metropolitan Council, acting as the governing authority of the Parish of East Baton Rouge, State of Louisiana, made the announcement with respect to this resolution required by La. R.S. 42:19.1, at its public meeting on Wednesday, January 14, 2026, and published said announcement in the official journal of the Parish and City on Thursday, January 22, 2026. Such announcement was also transmitted via email to each state senator and representative in whose district all or a portion of the Parish is located on Thursday, January 15, 2026.

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This Resolution having been submitted to a vote, the vote thereon was as follows:

YEAS:

NAYS:

ABSTAIN:

ABSENT:

Done, approved and adopted on this, the 11th day of February, 2026.

By: /s/ Ashley Beck
Council Administrator

By: /s/ Brandon Noel
President Pro Tempore

STATE OF LOUISIANA

PARISH OF EAST BATON ROUGE

I, ASHLEY BECK, certify that I am the duly qualified and acting Council Administrator of the Metropolitan Council of the Parish of East Baton Rouge and City of Baton Rouge, the governing authority of the Parish of East Baton Rouge, State of Louisiana (the "**Parish**").

I further certify that the above and foregoing is a true and correct copy of an excerpt from the minutes of a meeting of said Metropolitan Council held February 11, 2026, of a resolution ordering and calling a special election to be held in the Parish of East Baton Rouge, State of Louisiana (the "**Parish**"), on Saturday, June 27, 2026, to authorize the Parish to continue to levy and collect a 2 mills ad valorem tax ((the "**Tax**") (an estimated \$12,541,000 reasonably expected to be collected from the levy of the tax for an entire year), for a period of ten (10) years, beginning with the year 2027 and ending with the year 2036, and shall the proceeds of the tax (after paying reasonable and necessary expenses of collecting and administering the tax) be used entirely and exclusively by the East Baton Rouge Council on the Aging, Inc., or any successor thereto (the "**Council on Aging**") to provide funds to operate and maintain programs, services, and activities for elderly citizens in the Parish, including meals on wheels, senior centers, respite services, housing, transportation, nutrition, wellness, and recreational programs; to acquire, construct, operate and maintain facilities to serve elderly citizens in the Parish; and to otherwise fund the operating budget of the council on aging; declaring an emergency pursuant to Section 8.24 of the Plan of Government of the City of Baton Rouge and Parish of East Baton Rouge; making application to the state bond commission; providing notice that a public hearing regarding the adoption of this resolution by the metropolitan council shall be held on Wednesday, February 11, 2026, at 4:00 p.m. at the regular meeting place of the Metropolitan Council, Third Floor, City Hall, Room 348, 222 St. Louis Street, Baton Rouge, Louisiana; and providing for other matters in connection therewith.

IN FAITH WHEREOF, witness my official signature and the impress of the official seal of said Parish of East Baton Rouge, State of Louisiana, on this, the 11th day of February, 2026.

Ashley Beck, Council Administrator

(SEAL)

EXHIBIT A

NOTICE OF SPECIAL ELECTION

Pursuant to the provisions of a resolution adopted on February 11, 2026 by the Metropolitan Council of the Parish of East Baton Rouge and City of Baton Rouge (the “*Metropolitan Council*”), acting as the governing authority of the Parish of East Baton Rouge, State of Louisiana, NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that a special election will be held in the Parish of East Baton Rouge, State of Louisiana on SATURDAY, JUNE 27, 2026, and that at the said election there will be submitted to all registered voters of the Parish of East Baton Rouge, State of Louisiana, qualified and entitled to vote at the said election under the Constitution and laws of the State of Louisiana and the Constitution of the United States of America, the following proposition, to-wit:

PROPOSITION

(COUNCIL ON AGING MILLAGE RENEWAL)

Shall the Parish of East Baton Rouge, State of Louisiana (the "Parish") be authorized to continue to levy and collect a 2 mills ad valorem tax (the “Tax”) (an estimated \$12,541,000 reasonably expected to be collected from the levy of the Tax for an entire year), for a period of ten (10) years, beginning with the year 2027 and ending with the year 2036, and shall the proceeds of the Tax (after paying reasonable and necessary expenses of collecting and administering the Tax) be used entirely and exclusively by the East Baton Rouge Council on the Aging, Inc., or any successor thereto (the “Council on Aging”) to provide funds to operate and maintain programs, services, and activities for elderly citizens in the Parish, including Meals on Wheels, Senior Centers, Respite Services, Housing, Transportation, Nutrition, Wellness, and Recreational Programs; to acquire, construct, operate and maintain facilities to serve elderly citizens in the Parish; and to otherwise fund the operating budget of the Council on Aging?

The said special election will be held at each and every polling place in the Parish of East Baton Rouge, State of Louisiana, which polls will open at seven (7:00) o'clock a.m., and close at eight (8:00) o'clock p.m., in compliance with the provisions of Section 541 of Title 18 of the Louisiana Revised Statutes of 1950, as amended (La. R.S. 18:541).

The polling places at the precincts in the Parish of East Baton Rouge, State of Louisiana are hereby designated as the polling places at which to hold the special election, and the Commissioners-in-Charge and Commissioners, respectively, shall be those persons designated according to law pursuant to Section 1286(A) or Section 1286.1, as the case may be, of Title 18 of the Louisiana Revised Statutes of 1950, as amended.

In accordance with La. R.S. 18:1285(A)(1)(a)(v), the estimated cost of holding the election will be \$548,300.

A portion of the monies collected from the Tax shall be remitted to certain State and statewide retirement systems in accordance with the provisions of Subtitle 1 of Title 11 of Louisiana Revised Statutes of 1950, as amended (La. R.S. 11:82).

The said election will be held in accordance with the applicable provisions of Chapter 5, Chapter 6 and Chapter 6-A of Title 18 of the Louisiana Revised Statutes of 1950, as amended, and other constitutional and statutory authority supplemental thereto, and the officers appointed to hold the said special election, as provided in this Notice of Special Election, or such substitutes therefor as may be selected and designated in accordance with law will make due returns thereof to the Metropolitan Council, and NOTICE IS HEREBY FURTHER GIVEN that said Metropolitan Council will meet at its regular meeting place, the Council Chambers, City Hall, Third Floor, Room 348, 222 St. Louis Street, Baton Rouge, Louisiana, on WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 12, 2026, at FOUR (4:00) O'CLOCK P.M., and will then and there in open and public session proceed to examine and canvass the returns and declare the result of the special election. All registered voters in the Parish of East Baton Rouge, State of Louisiana are entitled to vote at said election and voting machines will be used thereat.

THUS DONE AND SIGNED at Baton Rouge, Louisiana, on this, the 11th day of February, 2026.

/s/ Brandon Noel
President Pro Tempore

ATTEST:

/s/ Ashley Beck
Council Administrator