There came on for consideration at a duly constituted meeting of the Mayor and Members of the City Council of the City of Gulfport, Mississippi, held on the _____ day of _____,

2014, the following Resolution:

A RESOLUTION BY THE GULFPORT CITY COUNCIL MEMORIALIZING THE MISSISSIPPI DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION TO STUDY AND EVALUATE MISSISSIPPI HIGHWAY 605 IN THE AREA OF ITS INTERSECTION WITH EAST TAYLOR ROAD IN THE CITY OF GULFPORT, MISSISSIPPI, AND CONSIDER THE PLACEMENT OF A TRAFFIC SIGNAL AT THE AFOREMENTIONED INTERSECTION TO IMPROVE THE SAFETY OF THE INTERSECTION

WHEREAS, Mississippi Highway 605 runs north and south thru the City of Gulfport, Mississippi, providing a critical transportation corridor for the City; and

WHEREAS, at the time the Mississippi Highway 605 was constructed, there was very little development, residential or commercial, on or near Highway 605 in the area at or near the intersection of the Highway 605 and East Taylor Road, in the City of Gulfport; and

WHEREAS, in the years since the construction of Highway 605, development, both residential (both single family and multi-family) and commercial, has and continues to come to the area with increasing frequency and size resulting in significant increases in the amount of vehicular traffic that makes use of the intersection of Highway 605 and East Taylor Road; and

WHEREAS, examples of new development in or under construction in the area include two large medical offices, two office complexes, a large multi-family apartment complex, the final build out of a subdivision and a church; and

WHEREAS, the aforementioned intersection is located at a curve in Highway 605 which, combined with vehicular speed, has contributed to a decrease in the traffic safety of those attempting to make both right and left turns onto Highway 605 from East Taylor Road; and

WHEREAS, the governing authorities of the City of Gulfport is concerned for the safety and well being of those needing to enter Highway 605 from East Taylor Road and, therefore, memorializes and urges the Mississippi Department of Transportation to study and evaluate the intersection of Mississippi Highway 605 and East Taylor Road, in the City of Gulfport, for the placement of a traffic signal.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF GULFPORT, MISSISSIPPI, AS FOLLOWS, TO WIT:

Section 1. That the matters, facts and things recited in the Preamble hereto are hereby adopted as the official findings of the Governing Authority.

Section 2. That the governing authorities of the City of Gulfport hereby memorialize and urge the Mississippi Department of Transportation to study and evaluate the intersection of Mississippi Highway 605 and East Taylor Road, in the City of Gulfport, for the placement of a traffic signal and that said study and evaluation take into account the safety and well being of those persons who must access Highway 605 from East Taylor Road.

Section 3. That this Resolution be, and it is hereby ordered to be spread on the minutes of the governing Authority, and to be in full force and effect immediately upon its passage and enactment according to law, and that a certified copy hereof be presented to the appropriate officials of the Mississippi Department of Transportation and to Sen. Sean Tindall and other members of the Mississippi Gulf Coast Legislative delegation.

The above and foregoing Resolution, after having been first reduced to writing and ready by the Clerk, was introduced by ______, seconded by ______, and was adopted by the following roll call vote:

AYES <u>NAYS</u> <u>ABSENT</u>

WHEREUPON, the President declared the motion carried and the Resolution adopted this the _____ day of _____, 2014.

(SEAL)

ATTEST:

ADOPTED:

CLERK OF THE COUNCIL

PRESIDENT

The above and foregoing Ordinance was submitted to and approved by the Mayor, this

the _____ day of _____, 2014.

APPROVED:

MAYOR