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 21st day of January, 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 BETWEEN THE INDUSTRIAL SEAWAY BRIDGE AND THE BAYOU BERNARD BRIDGE IN THE CITY OF GULFPORT, MISSISSIPPI

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 from the Industrial Seaway Bridge to the Bayou Bernard Bridge; 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 Highway 605 and the various streets that intersect it between the Industrial Seaway Bridge and the Bayou Bernard Bridge; 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, several subdivisions and a church; and

WHEREAS, the governing authorities of the City of Gulfport are concerned for the safety and wellbeing of those needing to enter Highway 605 from the streets that intersect it in the area from the Industrial Seaway Bridge to the Bayou Bernard Bridge and, therefore, memorialize and urges the Mississippi Department of Transportation to study and evaluate that portion of Mississippi Highway 605 between the Industrial Seaway Bridge and the Bayou Bernard Bridge, in the City of Gulfport, and ensure that said study and evaluation includes a review of all traffic control devices located in the aforementioned span of Mississippi Highway 605, including but not limited to consideration of service drives as may be helpful and/or required to promote traffic

safety, with special attention to the intersection of East Taylor Road and Highway 605, where the majority of new commercial development is located.

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 urges the Mississippi Department of Transportation to study and evaluate that portion of Mississippi Highway 605 between the Industrial Seaway Bridge and the Bayou Bernard Bridge, in the City of Gulfport, and ensure that said study and evaluation includes a review of all traffic control devices located in the aforementioned span of Mississippi Highway 605, including but not limited to consideration of service drives as may be helpful and/or required to promote traffic safety, especially at the intersection of East Taylor Road and Highway 605, where the majority of new commercial development is located.

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.

Councilmembers Walker and Pucheu recused themselves and removed themselves from the City Council Chambers during the discussion and vote on this Resolution.

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

AYES

NAYS

ABSENT

Dombrowski

None

Casey

Holmes-Hines

Walker (out of room)

Sharp

Pucheu (out of room)

Flowers

WHEREUPON, the President declared the motion carried and the Resolution adopted

the 21st day of January, 2014.

CLERK OF THE COUNCIL

ADOPTED:

PRESIDENT

The above and foregoing Resolution was submitted to and approved by the Mayor, this the 22^{nd} day of January, 2014.

APPROVED:

MAYOR