

RESOLUTION

2006-R-12

WHEREAS, there is a current proposal which may include the closure of Louisiana National Guard Armories located in New Iberia, Jeanerette and Abbeville; and

WHEREAS, the 256th National Guard Battalion recently carried through with an eighteen (18) month tour of Iraq, during the current conflict with Iraq waged by the United States of America due to terrorism; and

WHEREAS, the local units of the Louisiana National Guard provide much-needed services to the areas that they serve, including assistance during declared emergencies, etc. and have provided a valuable service to all citizens of the United States by serving in the conflict with Iraq as soldiers continuing to oppose threats to the many freedoms enjoyed by all Americans, including service through physical conflict in foreign countries; and

WHEREAS, the proposed revisions to the Louisiana National Guard operations include the proposed consolidation of said Louisiana battalions to include only two (2) battalions in the State, which could be revised to eliminate battalions for combat, medical and engineering groups to leave only transportation battalions remaining.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Vermilion Parish Police Jury does hereby express its strong opposition to proposed revisions to the Louisiana National Guard operations, including the proposed closure of armories located in New Iberia, Jeanerette and Abbeville.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Vermilion Parish Police Jury does hereby further express its strong opposition to proposed further revisions to the Louisiana National Guard operations to include the consolidation of battalions throughout the State to include only two (2) battalions in the State, which could be revised to eliminate battalions for combat, medical and engineering groups to leave only transportation battalions remaining.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that copies of this Resolution shall be forwarded to the Governor of Louisiana, the Vermilion Parish Congressional Delegation, the Vermilion Parish Legislative Delegation and all Parish governments in the State of Louisiana requesting their support and assistance with this position.

BE IT FINALLY RESOLVED, that this Resolution shall become effective immediately upon adoption by the Vermilion Parish Police Jury.

I, Clay P. Menard, Secretary-Treasurer, of the Vermilion Parish Police Jury, do hereby certify that the above is a true and exact copy of a resolution adopted by the Vermilion Parish Police Jury at their meeting held on March 6, 2006, at which a quorum was present and acting.

Clay P. Menard
Secretary-Treasurer
Vermilion Parish Police Jury