NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING BEAUREGARD PARISH POLICE JURY

HOMETOWN REVITALIZATION PROGRAM

RESILIENT COMMUNITIES INFRASTRUCTURE PROGRAM

COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT – DISASTER RECOVERY (CDBG-DR) PROGRAM

Beauregard Parish will hold the Public Hearing listed below. This meeting will be held in-person at the location, date, and time indicated.

September 21, 2023, 6:00 pm, Town of Merryville City Hall, 1009 LA-110, Merryville LA 70653

The purpose of this hearing is as follows: (1) to explain federal and state guidelines; (2) to review eligible and proposed program activities; (3) to consider proposals for projects under the Hometown Revitalization and Resilient Communities Infrastructure Community Development Block Grant Programs; and (4) to receive citizen comments and recommendations.

| TOTALS | \$1,444,948.00 | \$1,444,948.00 | \$2,889,896.00 |
|--------------------------------|-------------------------------|------------------------|----------------|
| Activity Delivery Costs | \$216,742.20 | \$216,742.20 | \$433,484.40 |
| Direct Project Costs | \$1,228,205.80 | \$1,228,205.80 | \$2,456,411.60 |
| | Revitalization Program | Infrastructure Program | TOTALS |
| | Hometown | Resilient Communities | TOTALS |

These programs have been instituted at the federal level to assist in the recovery from Hurricanes Laura and Delta. None of the funds requested will result in the displacement or relocation of people.

Priorities for funding must include the following:

- Have a tie to the storm event;
- Located in the most impacted and distressed areas;
- Benefit to low-income area populations within a delineated service area;
- Serve disadvantaged communities that were economically distressed prior to the storm events;
- An eligible activity; and
- Activity can be completed within the funding timeline.

Federal CDBG-DR funding, a facet of which are comprised of these two programs, must be used for necessary expenses related to disaster relief, long-term recovery, restoration of infrastructure and housing, economic revitalization, and mitigation.

Eligible activities and some potential examples include:

- Recovery activities
 - Rebuilding homes
 - Assistance to business owners
- Housing recovery

- New construction
- o Rehabilitation and reconstruction
- o Single- or multi-family homes, whether owner- or renter-occupied are eligible.
- Restoration of infrastructure
 - Road and bridge repair
 - Water and wastewater facilities
 - o Parks
 - Community Centers
- Economic development
 - o Job training and workforce development
 - Grants to businesses
 - o Improvements to commercial districts

All citizens are encouraged to participate and offer comments at the public hearing or by writing to Beauregard Parish Police Jury, 201 W. 2nd Street, DeRidder, LA 70634, and Attention: Treasurer before September 29, 2023.