July 13, 2008

Mr. Alfred W. Speer Clerk of the House of Representatives State Capitol Baton Rouge, Louisiana 70804

Mr. Glenn Koepp Secretary of the Senate State Capitol Baton Rouge, Louisiana 70804

RE: House Bill No. 1 of the 2008 Regular Session of the Legislature
Provide for the ordinary operating expenses of state government for Fiscal Year 2008-2009

Dear Gentlemen:

As authorized by Article III, Section 18(B), and more particularly, Article IV, Section 5(G)(1) of the Constitution of Louisiana, I have exercised my right to veto 258 items or provisions of the General Appropriation Bill. I respectfully request that you deliver on my behalf the following message to the members of the legislature:

We are making tremendous progress toward creating a New Louisiana. Just as you worked tirelessly during our first special session on ethics reform and our second special session to cut taxes and invest in our state's infrastructure, the reforms passed in the regular session are sweeping and historic. Indeed, this budget passed by the legislature takes on some of the biggest challenges in our state: investing in workforce development, teacher pay raises, securing our communities, increasing access to quality health care, and helping those experiencing a mental health care crisis.

On the very first day of the regular session, we began working together on a plan to tackle these challenges, and our victories have been remarkable. We wanted to connect the more than 100,000 existing job opportunities in our state with our skilled workers right here at home. We knew that the struggle to find skilled workers ranked among the top concerns for roughly 70 percent of businesses looking to expand or invest in Louisiana.

Your efforts to overhaul our workforce development system in this session will have an incredible impact in the lives of Louisiana children for generations to come. We were determined to move bureaucracy and government out of the driver's seat of workforce policy, and instead have the needs of businesses and workers drive our programs. Because of that determination, we successfully eliminated the Department of Labor and instead created the Louisiana Workforce Commission to match the needs of businesses with workers and to ensure our workers have the skills they need to succeed in the workplace.

You know that our role in enhancing education does not end at the schoolroom door after elementary school, or middle school, or high school, or college. To best prepare our children to take on the challenges of tomorrow and to compete in the global workforce, we have to ensure that they have the very best training and experience that businesses demand. This means looking beyond each individual grade level and envisioning the entire future of our children by investing in dual track educational opportunities that allow kids to get a jumpstart on college credits, and expanding the technical programs being offered in middle schools and high schools to begin to match students with jobs.

Overhauling the workforce development system in our state was our top priority in the regular session, and we put our money where our mouth is by investing in bold reforms. In addition to aggressive policy reforms, this budget invests \$10 million in the LCTCS Workforce Training Rapid Response Fund - an annual training fund to support high-demand, high-cost training programs at LCTCS in accordance with market demand and employment projections.

This budget also invests \$3 million in the creation of the Louisiana Fast Start Program, which is based on the nationally recognized Georgia model, and works to enhance Louisiana's business development efforts by delivering comprehensive workforce training services that help companies customize job-specific training for their workforce needs. Additionally, in this session, we created the Business Retention and Expansion Program as part of our workforce development package, which includes a \$400,000 investment to cultivate Louisiana's existing businesses by aggressively pursuing business retention and expansion prospects.

To address the critical educational component in our workforce system, we invested \$4 million in dual enrollment programs, which allow students to earn credit for college courses and workforce training programs while still in high school; and, we invested \$4.5 million in the Department of Education to expand career and technical education programs being offered in middle schools and high schools.

To be sure, there is still much more work to be done in reforming our workforce development system, but thanks to the critical investments in this budget, we are off to an incredible start.

In addition to the key investments in workforce development, this budget also directs \$89 million to support mental health care services in the state. This funding is part of a comprehensive package of bills that works to reform our mental health care system in Louisiana by creating a single point of entry system that can work quickly to assess the needs of individuals who may be a danger to themselves or others. Creating Crisis Receiving Centers, expanding Human Services Districts, and passing Nicola's Law to provide services for an individual when they will not seek them voluntarily, are all vital components to putting these millions of dollars in mental health care funding to work.

Beyond mental health care reforms, this budget also supports the use of electronic health records to decrease avoidable medical errors and help doctors and nurses spend more time with the patients that need their care. We know that studies show that up to 100,000 Americans die every year from avoidable medical errors, and that nurses spend an hour filing out paperwork for every hour they provide care, in many hospital settings. Together, we committed to ending this disturbing trend, and invested \$18 million in funding for electronic medical records in this budget.

One of the facts we all agree on is that the most important thing we need in every classroom in our state is a qualified teacher. To support our teachers, this budget increases teacher pay on average by \$1,000. Additionally, we invested \$10 million toward Student Scholarships to expand educational opportunities in our state. This budget also invests \$10 million in Flexible Pay for Rural School Districts, and fully funds the funding formula for Louisiana colleges and universities.

To further combat crime in Louisiana and support the laws passed in this session to double and increase by five-fold our penalties on sex offenders and those monsters that prey on our kids, this budget increases funding for our crime labs by \$1.8 million so we can speed up the backlog of cases awaiting prosecution. Additionally, this budget includes funding for more than 50 new state troopers out on our state's roadways to reduce auto accidents and fatalities.

There is no doubt that this budget makes incredible, and some truly historic, investments in the priorities of our state. That said, it is a reality that there will always be more good projects than there is state money to support them. I believe that it is my duty to safeguard taxpayer money to ensure that we are funding true state priorities, and not individual special interests. In order to do this, over the past weeks, we have worked for many hours on many days and weekends to review the projects funded in this budget. We examined the information available on each project to weigh its impact and to consider its purpose in meeting the challenges in our state. This process is a critical part of supporting our efforts to create a New Louisiana where our children do not have to leave home to pursue their dreams.

For the funding of non-governmental organizations, we weighed each project according to the four criteria we outlined earlier in the session, which stated that the project:

- Must have statewide or substantial regional impact;
- Must have been presented/openly discussed during the legislative session;
- Must be a state agency priority; and
- Must have the proper disclosure form published online prior to consideration for funding (consistent with information provided in the House disclosure form).

Many non-governmental projects included in this budget did not meet these criteria, and therefore, were vetoed from the bill. In some cases, projects lacked regional impact, or were not supportive of state priorities. In others, there simply was not enough accountability and performance measures available. This does not mean that all of these projects were without benefit, but instead, this veto process recognizes and honors our commitment to the taxpayers of Louisiana to best invest their hard-earned money in our state priorities in order to strengthen and grow our state.

The people of Louisiana have called on us to reduce wasteful spending to better invest in state priorities, and together we have answered. In this budget already, working together, we have completely eliminated the state's long-held, unhealthy reliance on "one-time" revenue for recurring expenditures. We eliminated 984 vacant state government positions at an estimated savings of \$58 million, and we just recently ended our sixth month hiring freeze on state government, which saved the state \$39 million.

Our quest for savings and the most efficient use of taxpayer money did not start with this budget, and it will not end here either. Together, we will continue to work to wisely invest taxpayer money in our state's priorities by supporting bold reforms that grow our economy, create jobs, increase our quality of education, and strengthen the quality and availability of health care.

This budget has made incredible progress in these areas already; however, for those projects which were not determined to have substantial regional or statewide impact, or to address our priorities, I have vetoed them from this bill as follows:

VETO MESSAGE NO. 1

Page 10, Lines 18 through 23:

This amendment provides that the Department of Treasury implement the Reduce Irritating Paperwork Strategy (RIPS). This language amendment may cause important information regarding transfers to not be collected resulting in a decrease in transparency and accountability. While I generally support efforts to reduce government paperwork, for the reasons given, I am vetoing this item.

VETO MESSAGE NO. 2

Page 24, Lines 29 through 31:

This amendment provides \$50,000 in State General Fund (Direct) to the Office of Elderly Affairs, Senior Centers Program for Socialization Services, Inc. This is a Non-Governmental Organization (NGO) funding request, which did not meet the criteria established in my letter of April 30, 2008. Therefore, I am vetoing this item.

VETO MESSAGE NO. 3

Page 25, Lines 4 through 6:

This amendment provides \$10,000 in State General Fund (Direct) to the Office of Elderly Affairs for the Pentecost Baptist Church. This is a Non-Governmental Organization (NGO) funding request, which did not meet the criteria established in my letter of April 30, 2008. Therefore, I am vetoing this item.

VETO MESSAGE NO. 4

Page 25, Lines 7 through 8:

This amendment provides \$10,000 in State General Fund (Direct) to the Office of Elderly Affairs for Christopher Inn. This is a Non-Governmental Organization (NGO) funding request, which did not meet the criteria established in my letter of April 30, 2008. Therefore, I am vetoing this item.

VETO MESSAGE NO. 5

Page 26, Lines 20 through 22:

This amendment provides \$10,000 to the Office of Elderly Affairs, Senior Centers Program. This is a Non-Governmental Organization (NGO) funding request which did not meet the criteria established in my letter of April 30, 2008. Therefore, I am vetoing this item.

VETO MESSAGE NO. 6

Page 39, lines 34 through 37:

This amendment provides \$25,000 to the Southern Forest Heritage Museum. This is a Non-Governmental Organization (NGO) funding request which did not meet the criteria established in my letter of April 30, 2008. Therefore, I am vetoing this item.

VETO MESSAGE NO. 7

Page 39, lines 38 through 41:

This amendment provides \$100,000 to the Southern Forest Heritage Museum and Research Center. This is a Non-Governmental Organization (NGO) funding request which did not meet the criteria established in my letter of April 30, 2008. Therefore, I am vetoing this item.

VETO MESSAGE NO. 8

Page 42, Lines 46 through 49:

This amendment provides \$200,000, including five positions payable out of State General Fund (Direct) to the Criminal Law and Medicaid Fraud Program for the Identity Theft and Fraud Unit within the Attorney General's Office. Support for this program should be provided by the Office of Financial Institutions. Therefore, I am vetoing this item.

VETO MESSAGE NO. 9

Page 42, Lines 50 through 53:

This amendment provides \$100,000 to the Civil Law Program for Capital Area Legal Services Corporation. Funding in the amount of \$500,000 is already provided to the Civil Law Program for the Legal Services Corporations. Therefore, I am vetoing this item.

VETO MESSAGE NO. 10

Page 47, lines 56 through 58:

This amendment provides \$389,921 in general fund for the restoration of nine positions in the Administrative and Support Services Programs. This agency is funded by statutory dedications and not state general funds. If necessary, this agency's budget can be amended during the year to increase their funding from statutory dedications, thereby, negating the need for state general funds. Therefore, I am vetoing this item.

VETO MESSAGE NO. 11

Page 57, lines 1 through 3:

This amendment provides \$150,000 to the Algiers Economic Development Foundation. This is a Non-Governmental Organization (NGO) funding request which did not meet the criteria established in my letter of April 30, 2008. Therefore, I am vetoing this item.

VETO AMENDMENT NO. 12

Page 57, lines 11 through 15:

This amendment provides \$100,000 to the Greater New Orleans Biosciences Economic Development District. This statutorily authorized entity has the authority to self generate income and is eligible to compete for matching grant funding through Louisiana Economic Development. Therefore, I am vetoing this item.

VETO MESSAGE NO. 13

Page 57, lines 22 through 25:

This amendment provides \$100,000 to the Idea Village. This is a Non-Governmental Organization (NGO) funding request which did not meet the criteria established in my letter of April 30, 2008. Therefore, I am vetoing this item.

VETO MESSAGE NO. 14

Page 57, lines 39 through 43:

This amendment provides \$30,000 to the New Orleans Louisiana Young Urban Rebuilding Professionals Initiative. This is a Non-Governmental Organization (NGO) funding request which did not meet the criteria established in my letter of April 30, 2008. Therefore, I am vetoing this item.

VETO MESSAGE NO. 15

Page 57, lines 44 through 47:

This amendment provides \$45,000 to the Ascension Economic Development Corporation. This is a Non-Governmental Organization (NGO) funding request which did not meet the criteria established in my letter of April 30, 2008. Therefore, I am vetoing this item.

VETO MESSAGE NO. 16

Page 58, lines 1 through 5:

This amendment provides \$25,000 to the Greater New Orleans Biosciences Economic Development District. This statutorily authorized entity has the authority to self generate income and is eligible to compete for matching grant funding through Louisiana Economic Development. Therefore, I am vetoing this item.

VETO MESSAGE NO. 17

Page 58, lines 6 through 8:

This amendment provides \$40,000 to the Ascension Economic Development Corporation. This is a Non-Governmental Organization (NGO) funding request which did not meet the criteria established in my letter of April 30, 2008. Therefore, I am vetoing this item.

VETO MESSAGE NO. 18

Page 58, lines 40 through 43:

This amendment provides \$150,000 to the United Christian Music and Video Association. This is a Non-Governmental Organization (NGO) funding request which did not meet the criteria established in my letter of April 30, 2008. Therefore, I am vetoing this item.

VETO MESSAGE NO. 19

Page 58, lines 44 through 47:

This amendment provides \$50,000 to the Louisiana Community and Economics Resources Network, Inc. (LaCERN). This is a Non-Governmental Organization (NGO) funding request which did not meet the criteria established in my letter of April 30, 2008. Therefore, I am vetoing this item.

VETO MESSAGE NO. 20

Page 59, lines 1 through 3:

This amendment provides \$25,000 to the Gretna Economic Development Association, Ltd. This is a Non-Governmental Organization (NGO) funding request which did not meet the criteria established in my letter of April 30, 2008. Therefore, I am vetoing this item.

VETO MESSAGE NO. 21

Page 59, lines 4 through 6:

This amendment provides \$50,000 to the Southern Hills Business Association. This is a Non-Governmental Organization (NGO) funding request which did not meet the criteria established in my letter of April 30, 2008. Therefore, I am vetoing this item.

VETO MESSAGE NO. 22

Page 59, lines 19 through 20:

This amendment provides \$100,000 to the Louisiana Minority Business Council. This is a Non-Governmental Organization (NGO) funding request which did not meet the criteria established in my letter of April 30, 2008. Therefore, I am vetoing this item.

VETO MESSAGE NO. 23

Page 62, lines 47 through 49:

This amendment provides \$20,000 to the Louisiana Arts and Science Museum. This is a Non-Governmental Organization (NGO) funding request which did not meet the criteria established in my letter of April 30, 2008. Therefore, I am vetoing this item.

VETO MESSAGE NO. 24

Page 62, lines 50 through 52:

This amendment provides \$10,000 to the Northeast Louisiana Delta African American Museum. This is a Non-Governmental Organization (NGO) funding request which did not meet the criteria established in my letter of April 30, 2008. Therefore, I am vetoing this item.

VETO MESSAGE NO. 25

Page 62, lines 53 through 56:

This amendment provides \$25,000 to the Snyder Museum and Creative Arts Center. This is a Non-Governmental Organization (NGO) funding request which did not meet the criteria established in my letter of April 30, 2008. Therefore, I am vetoing this item.

VETO MESSAGE NO. 26

Page 63, lines 10 through 12:

This amendment provides \$25,000 to the Louisiana Arts and Science Museum. This is a Non-Governmental Organization (NGO) funding request which did not meet the criteria established in my letter of April 30, 2008. Therefore, I am vetoing this item.

VETO MESSAGE NO. 27

Page 63, lines 13 through 15:

This amendment provides \$100,000 to the Louisiana Sports Hall of Fame Foundation. This is a Non-Governmental Organization (NGO) funding request which did not meet the criteria established in my letter of April 30, 2008. Therefore, I am vetoing this item.

VETO MESSAGE NO. 28

Page 63, lines 16 through 18:

This amendment provides \$85,000 to the Arna Bontemps African-American Museum. This is a Non-Governmental Organization (NGO) funding request which did not meet the criteria established in my letter of April 30, 2008. Therefore, I am vetoing this item.

VETO MESSAGE NO. 29

Page 63, lines 22 through 23:

This amendment provides \$25,000 to the Children's Museum in Lake Charles. This is a Non-Governmental Organization (NGO) funding request which did not meet the criteria established in my letter of April 30, 2008. Therefore, I am vetoing this item.

VETO MESSAGE NO. 30:

This amendment provides \$50,000 to the Louisiana Association of Museums. This is a Non-Governmental Organization (NGO) funding request which did not meet the criteria established in my letter of April 30, 2008. Therefore, I am vetoing this item.

VETO MESSAGE NO. 31

Page 63, lines 26 through 28:

This amendment provides \$75,000 to the Children's Museum of Acadiana. This is a Non-Governmental Organization (NGO) funding request which did not meet the criteria established in my letter of April 30, 2008. Therefore, I am vetoing this item.

VETO MESSAGE NO. 32

Page 63, lines 29 through 31:

This amendment provides \$20,000 to the Imperial Calcasieu Museum. This is a Non-Governmental Organization (NGO) funding request which did not meet the criteria established in my letter of April 30, 2008. Therefore, I am vetoing this item.

VETO MESSAGE NO. 33

Page 64, lines 29 through 31:

This amendment provides \$100,000 to the Kent Plantation House. This is a Non-Governmental Organization (NGO) funding request which did not meet the criteria established in my letter of April 30, 2008. Therefore, I am vetoing this item.

VETO MESSAGE NO. 34

Page 64, lines 32 through 34:

This amendment provides \$45,000 to the Parks and Recreation Program for the city of Mansfield for park equipment. This project should be funded through other sources. Therefore, I am vetoing this item.

VETO MESSAGE NO. 35

Page 66, lines 40 through 42;

This amendment provides \$10,000 to the Shreveport Symphony, Inc. This is a Non-Governmental Organization (NGO) funding request which did not meet the criteria established in my letter of April 30, 2008. Therefore, I am vetoing this item.

VETO MESSAGE NO. 36

Page 66, lines 43 through 45:

This amendment provides \$30,000 to St. Bernard Parish Art in April Festival. This project should be funded through other sources. Therefore, I am vetoing this item.

VETO MESSAGE NO. 37

Page 67, lines 1 through 3:

This amendment provides \$25,000 to the Opera Louisiane, Inc. This is a Non-Governmental Organization (NGO) funding request which did not meet the criteria established in my letter of April 30, 2008. Therefore, I am vetoing this item.

VETO MESSAGE NO. 38

Page 67, lines 7 through 9:

This amendment provides \$50,000 to St. Joseph Arts, Inc. This is a Non-Governmental Organization (NGO) funding request which did not meet the criteria established in my letter of April 30, 2008. Therefore, I am vetoing this item.

VETO MESSAGE NO. 39

Page 67, lines 10 through 12:

This amendment provides \$10,000 to Cultural Development Program for the city of Starks Mayhaw Festival. This project should be funded through other sources. Therefore, I am vetoing this item.

VETO MESSAGE NO. 40

Page 67, lines 13 through 14:

This amendment provides \$25,000 to Vernon Parish Police Jury for the May Festival. This project should be funded through other sources. Therefore, I am vetoing this appropriation.

VETO MESSAGE NO. 41

Page 67, lines 25 through 27:

This amendment provides \$50,000 to the Center for Cultural and Eco-tourism. The higher education funding formula is fully funded. Therefore, I am vetoing this item.

VETO MESSAGE NO. 42

Page 67, lines 28 through 30:

This amendment provides \$60,000 to The Cajuns: A history 1610 to the Present. This is a Non-Governmental Organization (NGO) funding request which did not meet the criteria established in my letter of April 30, 2008. Therefore, I am vetoing this item.

VETO MESSAGE NO. 43

Page 67, lines 31 through 34:

This amendment provides \$25,000 to the Ancient Order of Hibernians of Louisiana. This is a Non-Governmental Organization (NGO) funding request which did not meet the criteria established in my letter of April 30, 2008. Therefore, I am vetoing this item.

VETO MESSAGE NO. 44

Page 67, lines 35 through 37:

This amendment provides \$100,000 to the New Orleans Jazz and Heritage Foundation. This is a Non-Governmental Organization (NGO) funding request which did not meet the criteria established in my letter of April 30, 2008. Therefore, I am vetoing this item.

VETO MESSAGE NO. 45

Page 67, lines 42 through 46:

This amendment provides \$800,000 to the Ville Platte/Evangeline Recreational District for a multipurpose baseball and recreational center. This project should be funded through other sources. Therefore, I am vetoing this item.

VETO MESSAGE NO. 46

Page 68, lines 1 through 3:

This amendment provides \$25,000 to the Hot Air Balloon Festival for cultural enrichment. This is a Non-Governmental Organization (NGO) funding request which did not meet the criteria established in my letter of April 30, 2008. Therefore, I am vetoing this item.

VETO MESSAGE NO. 47

Page 68, lines 13 through 14:

This amendment provides \$50,000 to the Efforts of Grace, Inc. This is a Non-Governmental Organization (NGO) funding request which did not meet the criteria established in my letter of April 30, 2008. Therefore, I am vetoing this item.

VETO MESSAGE NO. 48

Page 69, lines 37 through 39:

This amendment provides \$25,000 for international silhouette shoots and sportsman's competitions. This project should be funded through other sources. Therefore, I am vetoing this item.

VETO MESSAGE NO. 49

Page 69, lines 40 through 43:

This amendment provides \$25,000 to the Doorway to Louisiana, Inc. This is a Non-Governmental Organization (NGO) funding request which did not meet the criteria established in my letter of April 30, 2008. Therefore, I am vetoing this item.

VETO MESSAGE NO. 50

Page 69, lines 44 through 46:

This amendment provides \$20,000 to the Sabine River Authority. This project should be funded through other sources. Therefore, I am vetoing this item.

VETO MESSAGE NO. 51

Page 70, lines 17 through 20:

This amendment provides \$10,000 for the Historic Grand Cane Association. This is a Non-Governmental Organization (NGO) funding request which did not meet the criteria established in my letter of April 30, 2008. Therefore, I am vetoing this item.

VETO MESSAGE NO. 52

Page 71, lines 20 through 22:

This amendment provides \$50,000 for the Audubon Highway Commission. This project should be funded through other sources. Therefore, I am vetoing this item.

VETO MESSAGE NO. 53

Page 73, lines 8 through 11:

This amendment provides \$18,050 for the Poverty Point Regional Economic Development Corporation. This is a Non-Governmental Organization (NGO) funding request which did not meet the criteria established in my letter of April 30, 2008. Therefore, I am vetoing this item.

VETO MESSAGE NO. 54

Page 102, lines 20 through 23:

This amendment provides \$10,000 to the Donaldsonville Marine Institute. The Office of Youth Development utilizes a competitive process for the provision of these services. Therefore, I am vetoing this item.

VETO MESSAGE NO. 55

Page 102, lines 24 through 26:

This amendment provides \$20,000 to the Carville Job Corp Mentor program. The Office of Youth Development utilizes a competitive process for the provision of these services. Therefore, I am vetoing this item.

VETO MESSAGE NO. 56

Page 102, lines 27 through 30:

This amendment provides \$20,000 in funding for Volunteers for Youth Justice truancy program in Caddo Parish. Current contract funding in the amount of \$70,000 for youth programs in Caddo Parish is within the Office of Youth Development's Contract Service program. These services are procured through the competitive bid process. Therefore, I am vetoing this item.

VETO MESSAGE NO. 57

Page 102, lines 35 through 38:

This amendment provides \$40,000 in funding for Volunteers for Youth Justice for juvenile programs in Caddo Parish. Current contract funding in the amount of \$65,373 for youth programs in Caddo Parish is within the Office of Youth Development's Contract Service program for the School Fight Program. These services within the Office of Youth Development are procured through the competitive bid process. Therefore, I am vetoing this item.

VETO MESSAGE NO. 58

Page 102, lines 44 through 47:

This amendment provides \$5,000 in funding for Volunteers for Youth Justice for juvenile programs in Caddo Parish. Current contract funding in the amount of \$65,373 for youth programs in Caddo Parish is within the Office of Youth Development's Contract Service program for the School Fight Program. These services within the Office of Youth Development are procured through the competitive bid process. Therefore, I am vetoing this item.

VETO MESSAGE NO. 59

Page 108, lines 1 through 3:

This amendment provides \$10,000 payable out of the State General Fund (Direct) to Options, Inc. This is a Non-Governmental Organization (NGO) funding request which did not meet the criteria established in my letter of April 30, 2008. Therefore, I am vetoing this item.

VETO MESSAGE NO. 60

Page 108, lines 4 through 6:

This amendment provides \$150,000 payable out of the State General Fund (Direct) for the provision of services by licensed clinical social workers. The Capital Area Human Services District has funding appropriated for licensed clinical social workers. Therefore, I am vetoing this item.

VETO MESSAGE NO. 61

Page 116, lines 13 through 22:

This language adds a provider to the Medicaid program without going through the deliberation process and without appropriating additional funding to cover the increased cost. Therefore, I am vetoing this item.

VETO MESSAGE NO. 62

Page 119, lines 36 through 40:

This amendment provides \$15,000 to the Grants Program for the Louisiana group of the United Mitochondrial Disease Foundation to sponsor the attendance of families and/or physicians to the annual symposium. This is a Non-Governmental Organization (NGO) funding request which did not meet the criteria established in my letter of April 30, 2008. Therefore, I am vetoing this item.

VETO MESSAGE NO. 63

Page 136, lines 40 through 44:

This amendment provides \$100,000 State General Fund by Statutory Dedications out of the Compulsive and Problem Gaming Fund to the Prevention and Treatment Program for Louisiana Association on Compulsive Gambling. There is funding appropriated to the Office of Addictive Disorders for this type of service and additional funding for such service should be appropriated directly to the agency. Therefore, I am vetoing this item.

VETO MESSAGE NO. 64

Page 144, lines 55 through 59:

This amendment provides \$10,000 in funding for the St. Martin Parish, Iberia, Lafayette Community Action Agency (SMILE Community Action Agency) for the mentor program. This is a Non-Governmental Organization (NGO) funding request which did not meet the criteria established in my letter of April 30, 2008. Therefore, I am vetoing this item.

VETO MESSAGE NO. 65

Page 145, lines 1 through 5:

This amendment provides \$15,000 in funding for the St. Martin Parish, Iberia, Lafayette Community Action Agency (SMILE Community Action Agency). This is a Non-Governmental Organization (NGO) funding request which did not meet the criteria established in my letter of April 30, 2008. Therefore, I am vetoing this item.

VETO MESSAGE NO. 66

Page 145, lines 6 through 8:

This amendment provides \$10,000 in funding for the Iberia Homeless Shelter, Inc. This is a Non-Governmental Organization (NGO) funding request which did not meet the criteria established in my letter of April 30, 2008. Therefore, I am vetoing this item.

VETO MESSAGE NO. 67

Page 170, Lines 43 through 49:

This amendment provides \$50,000 payable out of State General Fund by Statutory Dedications from the Conservation Fund to the Louisiana Charter Boat Association. This is a Non-Governmental Organization (NGO) funding request, which did not meet the criteria established in my letter of April 30, 2008. Therefore, I am vetoing this item.

VETO MESSAGE NO. 68

Page 178, Lines 9 through 11:

This amendment provides \$25,000 in State General Fund to the Board of Regents for the Washington Center for Internships and Academic Seminars for the purpose of funding scholarships. The higher education funding formula is fully funded. Therefore, I am vetoing this item.

VETO MESSAGE NO. 69

Page 183, Lines 50 through 52:

This amendment provides \$50,000 in the State General Fund for the University of New Orleans for the UNO Hospitality Research Center. The higher education funding formula is fully funded. Therefore, I am vetoing this item.

VETO MESSAGE NO. 70

Page 203, Lines 45 through 48:

This amendment provides \$10,000 for Catahoula Agency for Postsecondary Education, Inc. in Jonesville. The higher education funding formula is fully funded. Therefore, I am vetoing this item.

VETO MESSAGE NO. 71

Page 236, lines 4 through 6:

This amendment provides \$200,000 in funding for the Odyssey Foundation for the Arts. This is a Non-Governmental Organization (NGO) funding request which did not meet the criteria established in my letter of April 30, 2008. Therefore, I am vetoing this item.

VETO MESSAGE NO. 72

Page 236, lines 7 through 9:

This amendment provides \$10,000 in funding for RIZ UP! Louisiana. This is a Non-Governmental Organization (NGO) funding request which did not meet the criteria established in my letter of April 30, 2008. Therefore, I am vetoing this item.

VETO MESSAGE NO. 73

Page 236, lines 10 through 13:

This amendment provides \$5,000 in funding for the Urban Restoration Enhancement Corporation (UREC). This is a Non-Governmental Organization (NGO) funding request for a program which did not meet the criteria established in my letter of April 30, 2008. Therefore, I am vetoing this item.

VETO MESSAGE NO. 74

Page 236, lines 14 through 17:

This amendment provides \$50,000 in funding for the Hope Group, Inc. This is a Non-Governmental Organization (NGO) funding request which did not meet the criteria established in my letter of April 30, 2008. Therefore, I am vetoing this item.

VETO MESSAGE NO. 75

Page 236, lines 18 through 21:

This amendment provides \$5,000 in funding for the Glen Oaks High School Security Dads, Inc. This is a Non-Governmental Organization (NGO) funding request which did not meet the criteria established in my letter of April 30, 2008. Therefore, I am vetoing this item.

VETO MESSAGE NO. 76

Page 236, lines 25 through 28:

This amendment provides \$25,000 in funding for the Delta PREP. This is a Non-Governmental Organization (NGO) funding request which did not meet the criteria established in my letter of April 30, 2008. Therefore, I am vetoing this item.

VETO MESSAGE NO. 77

Page 236, lines 29 through 32:

This amendment provides \$25,000 in funding for the Concord Youth and Adult Community Association. This is a Non-Governmental Organization (NGO) funding request which did not meet the criteria established in my letter of April 30, 2008. Therefore, I am vetoing this item.

VETO MESSAGE NO. 78

Page 236, lines 33 through 39:

This amendment provides \$50,000 in funding for the East Baton Rouge Parish School Board to provide programs through a United Way Agency. The MFP is fully funded and it is the responsibility of the department and local school systems to prioritize projects and distribute resources appropriately. Therefore, I am vetoing this item.

VETO MESSAGE NO. 79

Page 236, lines 40 through 44:

This amendment provides \$50,000 in funding for the Jefferson Sports and Scholastic Foundation, LLC. This is a Non-Governmental Organization (NGO) funding request which did not meet the criteria established in my letter of April 30, 2008. Therefore, I am vetoing this item.

VETO MESSAGE NO. 80

Pages 237, lines 22 through 27:

This amendment provides \$7,220 in funding for Richland & East Carroll Parishes who have partnered to offer a peer-support crisis-intervention program. It is the responsibility of the department and local school systems to prioritize projects, distribute resources, and select providers that can deliver needed services. This appears to be a duplicative program that provides services similar to existing programs. Therefore, I am vetoing this item.

VETO MESSAGE NO. 81

Page 237, lines 28 through 32:

This amendment provides \$100,000 in funding for the United Way of Acadiana Imagination Library/Jumpstart Initiative. This is a Non-Governmental Organization (NGO) funding request which did not meet the criteria established in my letter of April 30, 2008. Therefore, I am vetoing this item.

VETO MESSAGE NO. 82

Page 237, lines 42 through 45:

This amendment provides \$35,000 in funding for the DeSoto Parish Multicultural Center. This is a Non-Governmental Organization (NGO) funding request which did not meet the criteria established in my letter of April 30, 2008. Therefore, I am vetoing this item.

VETO MESSAGE NO. 83

Page 237, lines 46 through 49:

This amendment provides \$35,000 in funding for the Mt. Bethel No. 1 in Keithville. This is a Non-Governmental Organization (NGO) funding request which did not meet the criteria established in my letter of April 30, 2008. Therefore, I am vetoing this item.

VETO MESSAGE NO. 84

Page 260, lines 1 through 3:

This amendment provides \$10,000 to the Hungarian Settlement Historical Society, Inc. This is a Non-Governmental Organization (NGO) funding request which did not meet the criteria established in my letter of April 30, 2008. Therefore, I am vetoing this item.

VETO MESSAGE NO. 85

Page 260, lines 23 through 25:

This amendment provides \$5,000 to the Merryville Historical Society and Museum, Inc. This is a Non-Governmental Organization (NGO) funding request which did not meet the criteria established in my letter of April 30, 2008. Therefore, I am vetoing this item.

VETO MESSAGE NO. 86

Page 260, lines 35 through 37:

This amendment provides \$5,000 to the Beauregard Parish Sheriff for the 2008 Veterans Day celebration in Dry Creek. This project should be funded through other sources. Therefore, I am vetoing this appropriation.

VETO MESSAGE NO. 87

Page 260, lines 38 through 40:

This amendment provides \$25,000 to the Shiloh Missionary Baptist Church Charitable Foundation. This is a Non-Governmental Organization (NGO) funding request which did not meet the criteria established in my letter of April 30, 2008. Therefore, I am vetoing this item.

VETO MESSAGE NO. 88

Page 260, lines 41 through 43:

This amendment provides \$110,000 to the city of Eunice for tennis court construction and expansion. This project should be funded through other sources. Therefore, I am vetoing this item.

VETO MESSAGE NO. 89

Page 260, lines 44 through 47:

This amendment provides \$180,000 to the Jefferson Parish Recreation Department for improvements to Thomas Jefferson Playground. This project should be funded through other sources. Therefore, I am vetoing this item.

VETO MESSAGE NO. 90

Page 261, lines 15 through 17:

This amendment provides \$25,000 to the Boys and Girls Club of Natchitoches, Inc. This is a Non-Governmental Organization (NGO) funding request which did not meet the criteria established in my letter of April 30, 2008. Therefore, I am vetoing this item.

VETO MESSAGE NO. 91

Page 261, lines 18 through 20:

This amendment provides \$50,000 to the Community Awareness Revitalization and Enhancement Corporation. This is a Non-Governmental Organization (NGO) funding request which did not meet the criteria established in my letter of April 30, 2008. Therefore, I am vetoing this item.

VETO MESSAGE NO. 92

Page 261, lines 25 through 27:

This amendment provides \$25,000 to the Young Men's Christian Association of Baton Rouge Baranco/Clark Branch. This is a Non-Governmental Organization (NGO) funding request which did not meet the criteria established in my letter of April 30, 2008. Therefore, I am vetoing this item.

VETO MESSAGE NO. 93

Page 261, lines 28 through 29:

This amendment provides \$20,000 to the McKinley High School Alumni Association. This is a Non-Governmental Organization (NGO) funding request which did not meet the criteria established in my letter of April 30, 2008. Therefore, I am vetoing this item.

VETO MESSAGE NO. 94

Page 261, lines 38 through 40:

This amendment provides \$250,000 to the Algiers Athletic Club Inc. This is a Non-Governmental Organization (NGO) funding request which did not meet the criteria established in my letter of April 30, 2008. Therefore, I am vetoing this item.

VETO MESSAGE NO. 95

Page 261, lines 41 through 44:

This amendment provides \$100,000 to the Westbank Redevelopment Corporation. This project should be funded through other sources. Therefore, I am vetoing this item.

VETO MESSAGE NO. 96

Page 262, lines 4 through 6:

This amendment provides \$25,000 to the town of Arnaudville for infrastructure repairs and improvements and playground equipment acquisitions. This project should be funded through other sources. Therefore, I am vetoing this item.

VETO MESSAGE NO. 97

Page 262, lines 7 through 9:

This amendment provides \$25,000 to the village of Cankton for infrastructure improvements and playground equipment. This project should be funded through other sources. Therefore, I am vetoing this item.

VETO MESSAGE NO. 98

Page 262, lines 32 through 34:

This amendment provides \$50,000 to the Kent Plantation House, Inc.. This is a Non-Governmental Organization (NGO) funding request which did not meet the criteria established in my letter of April 30, 2008. Therefore, I am vetoing this item.

VETO MESSAGE NO. 99

Page 262, lines 41 through 43:

This amendment provides \$50,000 to the McKinley School Alumni Association, Inc. This is a Non-Governmental Organization (NGO) funding request which did not meet the criteria established in my letter of April 30, 2008. Therefore, I am vetoing this item.

VETO MESSAGE NO. 100

Page 263, lines 4 through 6:

This amendment provides \$150,000 to the Evangeline Parish Recreation District for construction of a ball park. This project should be funded through other sources. Therefore, I am vetoing this item.

VETO MESSAGE NO. 101

Page 263, lines 44 through 45:

This amendment provides \$25,000 to Booker T. Community Outreach Project. This is a Non-Governmental Organization (NGO) funding request which did not meet the criteria established in my letter of April 30, 2008. Therefore, I am vetoing this item.

VETO MESSAGE NO. 102

Page 264, lines 4 through 5:

This amendment provides \$10,000 to Novice House, Inc. This is a Non-Governmental Organization (NGO) funding request which did not meet the criteria established in my letter of April 30, 2008. Therefore, I am vetoing this item.

VETO MESSAGE NO. 103

Page 264, lines 6 through 8:

This amendment provides \$10,000 to The New Way Center, Inc. This is a Non-Governmental Organization (NGO) funding request which did not meet the criteria established in my letter of April 30, 2008. Therefore, I am vetoing this item.

VETO MESSAGE NO. 104

Page 264, lines 20 through 21:

This amendment provides \$10,000 to Top Gun Boy Scouts of Ouachita. This is a Non-Governmental Organization (NGO) funding request which did not meet the criteria established in my letter of April 30, 2008. Therefore, I am vetoing this item.

VETO MESSAGE NO. 105

Page 264, lines 25 through 27:

This amendment provides \$10,000 to the city of Crowley for acquisition of playground equipment. This project should be funded through other sources. Therefore, I am vetoing this item.

VETO MESSAGE NO. 106

Page 264, lines 28 through 30:

This amendment provides \$10,000 to the city of Rayne for acquisition of playground equipment. This project should be funded through other sources. Therefore, I am vetoing this item.

VETO MESSAGE NO. 107

Page 265, lines 21 through 22:

This amendment provides \$100,000 to Community Coordinating Council, Inc. This is a Non-Governmental Organization (NGO) funding request which did not meet the criteria established in my letter of April 30, 2008. Therefore, I am vetoing this item.

VETO MESSAGE NO. 108

Page 265, lines 23 through 24:

This amendment provides \$100,000 to Men of Vision and Enlightenment, Inc. This is a Non-Governmental Organization (NGO) funding request which did not meet the criteria established in my letter of April 30, 2008. Therefore, I am vetoing this item.

VETO MESSAGE NO. 109

Page 265, lines 25 through 26:

This amendment provides \$30,000 to the Boys and Girls Club of North Central Louisiana, Inc. This is a Non-Governmental Organization (NGO) funding request which did not meet the criteria established in my letter of April 30, 2008. Therefore, I am vetoing this item.

VETO MESSAGE NO. 110

Page 265, lines 27 through 29:

This amendment provides \$60,000 to the Louisiana Alliance for Boys & Girls Clubs of America. This is a Non-Governmental Organization (NGO) funding request which did not meet the criteria established in my letter of April 30, 2008. Therefore, I am vetoing this item.

VETO MESSAGE NO. 111

Page 265, lines 30 through 31:

This amendment provides \$10,000 to Project Each One Reach One, Inc. This is a Non-Governmental Organization (NGO) funding request which did not meet the criteria established in my letter of April 30, 2008. Therefore, I am vetoing this item.

VETO MESSAGE NO. 112

Page 265, lines 32 through 33:

This amendment provides \$10,000 to the Greater Grambling Chamber of Commerce. This is a Non-Governmental Organization (NGO) funding request which did not meet the criteria established in my letter of April 30, 2008. Therefore, I am vetoing this item.

VETO MESSAGE NO. 113

Page 265, lines 37 through 39:

This amendment provides \$25,000 to Achieve to Succeed. This is a Non-Governmental Organization (NGO) funding request which did not meet the criteria established in my letter of April 30, 2008. Therefore, I am vetoing this item.

VETO MESSAGE NO. 114

Page 265, lines 40 through 42:

This amendment provides \$15,000 to City at Peace. This is a Non-Governmental Organization (NGO) funding request which did not meet the criteria established in my letter of April 30, 2008. Therefore, I am vetoing this item.

VETO MESSAGE NO. 115

Page 266, lines 1 through 3:

This amendment provides \$15,000 to the Scotlandville Community Development Corporation. This is a Non-Governmental Organization (NGO) funding request which did not meet the criteria established in my letter of April 30, 2008. Therefore, I am vetoing this item.

VETO MESSAGE NO. 116

Page 266, lines 34 through 37:

This amendment provides \$10,000 to the Louisiana Alliance of Boys and Girls Clubs of America. This is a Non-Governmental Organization (NGO) funding request which did not meet the criteria established in my letter of April 30, 2008. Therefore, I am vetoing this item.

VETO MESSAGE NO. 117

Page 266, lines 38 through 39:

This amendment provides \$75,000 to Mercy Endeavors, Inc. This is a Non-Governmental Organization (NGO) funding request which did not meet the criteria established in my letter of April 30, 2008. Therefore, I am vetoing this item.

VETO MESSAGE NO. 118

Page 266, lines 40 through 43:

This amendment provides \$30,000 to Global Green USA. This is a Non-Governmental Organization (NGO) funding request which did not meet the criteria established in my letter of April 30, 2008. Therefore I am vetoing this item.

VETO MESSAGE NO. 119

Page 267, lines 5 through 7

This amendment provides \$650,000 to the Dryades Street Young Men's Christian Association. This is a Non-Governmental Organization (NGO) funding request which did not meet the criteria established in my letter of April 30, 2008. Therefore, I am vetoing this item.

VETO MESSAGE NO. 120

Page 267, lines 8 through 10:

This amendment provides \$400,000 to Progress 63. This is a Non-Governmental Organization (NGO) funding request which did not meet the criteria established in my letter of April 30, 2008. Therefore, I am vetoing this item.

VETO MESSAGE NO. 121

Page 267, lines 13 through 15:

This amendment provides \$50,000 to Just the Right Attitude, Inc.. This is a Non-Governmental Organization (NGO) funding request which did not meet the criteria established in my letter of April 30, 2008. Therefore, I am vetoing this item.

VETO MESSAGE NO. 122

Page 267, lines 16 through 18

This amendment provides \$75,000 to the George & Leah McKenna Museum of African American Art. This is a Non-Governmental Organization (NGO) funding request which did not meet the criteria established in my letter of April 30, 2008. Therefore, I am vetoing this item.

VETO MESSAGE NO. 123

Page 267, lines 19 through 21:

This amendment provides \$340,000 to Serving People District 40. This is a Non-Governmental Organization (NGO) funding request which did not meet the criteria established in my letter of April 30, 2008. Therefore, I am vetoing this item.

VETO MESSAGE NO. 124

Page 268, lines 38 through 40:

This amendment provides \$200,000 to Human Assistance Needs and Development, Inc. This is a Non-Governmental Organization (NGO) funding request which did not meet the criteria established in my letter of April 30, 2008. Therefore, I am vetoing this item.

VETO MESSAGE NO. 125

Page 269, lines 15 through 17:

This amendment provides \$20,000 to the Neighborhoods Planning and Community Development Network. This is a Non-Governmental Organization (NGO) funding request which did not meet the criteria established in my letter of April 30, 2008. Therefore, I am vetoing this item.

VETO MESSAGE NO. 126

Page 269, lines 30 through 32:

This amendment provides \$25,000 to Youth Education Solutions, Inc.. This is a Non-Governmental Organization (NGO) funding request which did not meet the criteria established in my letter of April 30, 2008. Therefore, I am vetoing this item.

VETO MESSAGE NO.127

Page 269, lines 33 through 35:

This amendment provides \$15,000 to Youth Education Solutions, Inc.. This is a Non-Governmental Organization (NGO) funding request which did not meet the criteria established in my letter of April 30, 2008. Therefore, I am vetoing this item.

VETO MESSAGE NO. 128

Page 269, lines 36 through 38:

This amendment provides \$10,000 to Youth Education Solutions, Inc.. This is a Non-Governmental Organization (NGO) funding request which did not meet the criteria established in my letter of April 30, 2008. Therefore, I am vetoing this item.

VETO MESSAGE NO. 129

Page 269, lines 42 through 46:

This amendment provides \$50,000 for dog parks at Glenn F. Pope Memorial Park and Lafayette Woods Park. This project should be funded through other sources. Therefore, I am vetoing this item.

VETO MESSAGE NO. 130

Page 270, lines 1 through 4:

This amendment provides \$10,000 to the Community Renewal International, Inc.. This is a Non-Governmental Organization (NGO) funding request which did not meet the criteria established in my letter of April 30, 2008. Therefore, I am vetoing this item.

VETO MESSAGE NO. 131

Page 270, lines 5 through 6:

This amendment provides \$30,000 to Children and Arthritis. This is a Non-Governmental Organization (NGO) funding request which did not meet the criteria established in my letter of April 30, 2008. Therefore, I am vetoing this item.

VETO MESSAGE NO. 132

Page 270, lines 15 through 17:

This amendment provides \$15,000 to Pineville Concerned Citizens, Inc. This is a Non-Governmental Organization (NGO) funding request which did not meet the criteria established in my letter of April 30, 2008. Therefore, I am vetoing this item.

VETO MESSAGE NO. 133

Page 270, lines 26 through 29:

This amendment provides \$5,000 to the Mt. Zion Community Development Corporation. This is a Non-Governmental Organization (NGO) funding request which did not meet the criteria established in my letter of April 30, 2008. Therefore, I am vetoing this item.

VETO MESSAGE NO. 134

Page 270, lines 39 through 41:

This amendment provides \$5,000 to the Boys & Girls Clubs of Central Louisiana, Inc.. This is a Non-Governmental Organization (NGO) funding request which did not meet the criteria established in my letter of April 30, 2008. Therefore, I am vetoing this item.

VETO MESSAGE NO. 135

Page 270, lines 42 through 44:

This amendment provides \$15,000 to the Arna Bontemps African American Museum. This is a Non-Governmental Organization (NGO) funding request which did not meet the criteria established in my letter of April 30, 2008. Therefore, I am vetoing this item.

VETO MESSAGE NO. 136

Page 271, lines 1 through 5:

This amendment provides \$75,000 to the Education Foundation of Epsilon Psi Lambda Chapter of Alpha Phi Alpha Fraternity, Inc. This is a Non-Governmental Organization (NGO) funding request which did not meet the criteria established in my letter of April 30, 2008. Therefore, I am vetoing this item.

VETO MESSAGE NO. 137

Page 271, lines 9 through 11:

This amendment provides \$25,000 to the Southeast Louisiana Council Boy Scouts of America. This is a Non-Governmental Organization (NGO) funding request which did not meet the criteria established in my letter of April 30, 2008. Therefore, I am vetoing this item.

VETO MESSAGE NO. 138

Page 271, lines 24 through 26:

This amendment provides \$25,000 to Girl Scouts Louisiana East, Inc.. This is a Non-Governmental Organization (NGO) funding request which did not meet the criteria established in my letter of April 30, 2008. Therefore, I am vetoing this item.

VETO MESSAGE NO. 139

Page 271, lines 34 through 36:

This amendment provides \$50,000 to the Unity of Greater New Orleans, Inc.. This is a Non-Governmental Organization (NGO) funding request which did not meet the criteria established in my letter of April 30, 2008. Therefore, I am vetoing this item.

VETO MESSAGE NO. 140

Page 272, lines 9 through 12:

This amendment provides \$25,000 to Jefferson Parish for the Jefferson Parish Department of Parks and Recreation to be equally divided between Bright Playground, and Lakeshore Playground. This project should be funded through other sources. Therefore, I am vetoing this item.

VETO MESSAGE NO. 141

Page 272, lines 29 through 31:

This amendment provides \$50,000 to Pontilly Association, Inc.. This is a Non-Governmental Organization (NGO) funding request which did not meet the criteria established in my letter of April 30, 2008. Therefore, I am vetoing this item.

VETO MESSAGE NO. 142

Page 272, lines 32 through 34:

This amendment provides \$200,000 to the Pontchartrain Park Community Development Corporation. This is a Non-Governmental Organization (NGO) funding request which did not meet the criteria established in my letter of April 30, 2008. Therefore, I am vetoing this item.

VETO MESSAGE NO. 143

Page 273, lines 10 through 12:

This amendment provides \$20,000 to the Assumption Parish Police Jury for the E.G. Robichaux Ball Park. This project should be funded through other sources. Therefore, I am vetoing this item.

VETO MESSAGE NO. 144

Page 273, lines 13 through 15:

This amendment provides \$20,000 to the Assumption Parish Police Jury for the Bayou L'Ourse Ball Park. This project should be funded through other sources. Therefore, I am vetoing this item.

VETO MESSAGE NO. 145

Page 273, lines 34 through 37:

This amendment provides \$5,000 to Shiloh Missionary Baptist Church Charitable Foundation. This is a Non-Governmental Organization (NGO) funding request which did not meet the criteria established in my letter of April 30, 2008. Therefore, I am vetoing this item.

VETO MESSAGE NO. 146

Page 274, lines 44 through 46:

This amendment provides \$15,000 to the Top Gun Boy Scouts of Ouachita. This is a Non-Governmental Organization (NGO) funding request which did not meet the criteria established in my letter of April 30, 2008. Therefore, I am vetoing this item.

VETO MESSAGE NO. 147

Page 275, lines 5 through 8:

This amendment provides \$25,000 to the Louisiana Alliance of Boys & Girls Clubs of America. This is a Non-Governmental Organization (NGO) funding request which did not meet the criteria established in my letter of April 30, 2008. Therefore, I am vetoing this item.

VETO MESSAGE NO. 148

Page 275, lines 20 through 23:

This amendment provides \$150,000 to the city of Baton Rouge for the North Baton Rouge Community Center. This project should be funded through other sources. Therefore, I am vetoing this item.

VETO MESSAGE NO. 149

Page 275, lines 24 through 26:

This amendment provides \$150,000 for RIZ UP Louisiana!. This is a Non-Governmental Organization (NGO) funding request which did not meet the criteria established in my letter of April 30, 2008. Therefore, I am vetoing this item.

VETO MESSAGE NO. 150

Page 275, lines 27 through 29:

This amendment provides \$5,000 for Hope Group, Inc. This is a Non-Governmental Organization (NGO) funding request which did not meet the criteria established in my letter of April 30, 2008. Therefore, I am vetoing this item.

VETO MESSAGE NO. 151

Page 275, lines 30 through 32:

This amendment provides \$10,000 to the Glen Oaks High School Security Dads, Inc. This is a Non-Governmental Organization (NGO) funding request which did not meet the criteria established in my letter of April 30, 2008. Therefore, I am vetoing this item.

VETO MESSAGE NO. 152

Page 275, lines 45 through 46:

This amendment provides \$25,000 to the Alpha Community Outreach Center, Inc. This is a Non-Governmental Organization (NGO) funding request which did not meet the criteria established in my letter of April 30, 2008. Therefore, I am vetoing this item.

VETO MESSAGE NO. 153

Page 277, lines 1 through 4:

This amendment provides \$15,000 to The Church United for Community Development. This is a Non-Governmental Organization (NGO) funding request which did not meet the criteria established in my letter of April 30, 2008. Therefore, I am vetoing this item.

VETO MESSAGE NO. 154

Page 277, lines 18 through 20:

This amendment provides \$100,000 to the Rapides Station Community Ministries, Inc.. This is a Non-Governmental Organization (NGO) funding request which did not meet the criteria established in my letter of April 30, 2008. Therefore, I am vetoing this item.

VETO MESSAGE NO. 155

Page 278, lines 4 through 6:

This amendment provides \$25,000 to the Breaux Bridge Historical Society. This is a Non-Governmental Organization (NGO) funding request which did not meet the criteria established in my letter of April 30, 2008. Therefore, I am vetoing this item.

VETO MESSAGE NO. 156

Page 278, lines 7 through 9:

This amendment provides \$25,000 to the Gloria Kern Counseling Center. This is a Non-Governmental Organization (NGO) funding request which did not meet the criteria established in my letter of April 30, 2008. Therefore, I am vetoing this item.

VETO MESSAGE NO. 157

Page 278, lines 13 through 14:

This amendment provides \$40,000 to the town of Sarepta for playground equipment. This project should be funded through other sources. Therefore, I am vetoing this item.

VETO MESSAGE NO. 158

Page 278, lines 24 through 25:

This amendment provides \$10,000 to the Old Bethel Baptist Church of Clarks, Inc. This is a Non-Governmental Organization (NGO) funding request which did not meet the criteria established in my letter of April 30, 2008. Therefore, I am vetoing this item.

VETO MESSAGE NO. 159

Page 279, lines 23 through 24:

This amendment provides \$10,000 to the Rosedale Lions Club. This is a Non-Governmental Organization (NGO) funding request which did not meet the criteria established in my letter of April 30, 2008. Therefore, I am vetoing this item.

VETO MESSAGE NO. 160

Page 279, lines 25 through 26:

This amendment provides \$7,500 to the Maringouin Lions Club. This is a Non-Governmental Organization (NGO) funding request which did not meet the criteria established in my letter of April 30, 2008. Therefore, I am vetoing this item.

VETO MESSAGE NO. 161

Page 280, lines 18 through 19:

This amendment provides \$30,000 to the Livingston Outdoor Sports Association, Inc. This is a Non-Governmental Organization (NGO) funding request which did not meet the criteria established in my letter of April 30, 2008. Therefore, I am vetoing this item.

VETO MESSAGE NO. 162

Page 280, lines 20 through 22:

This amendment provides \$100,000 for Nehemiah 20/20 Community Development. This is a Non-Governmental Organization (NGO) funding request which did not meet the criteria established in my letter of April 30, 2008. Therefore, I am vetoing this item.

VETO MESSAGE NO. 163

Page 280, lines 23 through 24:

This amendment provides \$150,000 for Life Economic Development Corporation. This is a Non-Governmental Organization (NGO) funding request which did not meet the criteria established in my letter of April 30, 2008. Therefore, I am vetoing this item.

VETO MESSAGE NO. 164

Page 280, lines 25 through 27:

This amendment provides \$100,000 for Desire Community Housing Development Corporation. This is a Non-Governmental Organization (NGO) funding request which did not meet the criteria established in my letter of April 30, 2008. Therefore, I am vetoing this item.

VETO MESSAGE NO. 165

Page 280, lines 28 through 29:

This amendment provides \$50,000 for Pontilly Association, Inc. This is a Non-Governmental Organization (NGO) funding request which did not meet the criteria established in my letter of April 30, 2008. Therefore, I am vetoing this item.

VETO MESSAGE NO. 166

Page 281, lines 23 through 24:

This amendment provides \$35,000 to the Greater New Orleans Sports Foundation. This is a Non-Governmental Organization (NGO) funding request which did not meet the criteria established in my letter of April 30, 2008. Therefore, I am vetoing this item.

VETO MESSAGE NO. 167

Page 281, lines 31 through 33:

This amendment provides \$150,000 to the Jefferson Parish Council for Kings Grant Playground. This project should be funded through other sources. Therefore, I am vetoing this item.

VETO MESSAGE NO. 168

Page 282, lines 13 through 15:

This amendment provides \$15,000 to Teagra's Helping Hands. This is a Non-Governmental Organization (NGO) funding request which did not meet the criteria established in my letter of April 30, 2008. Therefore, I am vetoing this item.

VETO MESSAGE NO. 169

Page 282, lines 31 through 32:

This amendment provides \$30,000 to the Paul S. Morton, Sr., Scholarship Foundation. This is a Non-Governmental Organization (NGO) funding request which did not meet the criteria established in my letter of April 30, 2008. Therefore, I am vetoing this item.

VETO MESSAGE NO. 170

Page 282, lines 39 through 41:

This amendment provides \$15,000 for Vietnamese Initiatives in Economic Training (VIET). This is a Non-Governmental Organization (NGO) funding request which did not meet the criteria established in my letter of April 30, 2008. Therefore, I am vetoing this item.

VETO MESSAGE NO. 171

Page 283, lines 1 through 3:

This amendment provides \$25,000 for MQVN Community Development Corporation, Inc. This is a Non-Governmental Organization (NGO) funding request which did not meet the criteria established in my letter of April 30, 2008. Therefore, I am vetoing this item.

VETO MESSAGE NO. 172

Page 283, lines 7 through 8:

This amendment provides \$10,830 for the Booker T. Community Outreach Project. This is a Non-Governmental Organization (NGO) funding request which did not meet the criteria established in my letter of April 30, 2008. Therefore, I am vetoing this item.

VETO MESSAGE NO. 173

Page 283, lines 9 through 10:

This amendment provides \$3,610 for Dove Christian Community Services, Inc. This is a Non-Governmental Organization (NGO) funding request which did not meet the criteria established in my letter of April 30, 2008. Therefore, I am vetoing this item.

VETO MESSAGE NO. 174

Page 283, lines 13 through 14:

This amendment provides \$3,610 for G. T. Services, Incorporated. This is a Non-Governmental Organization (NGO) funding request which did not meet the criteria established in my letter of April 30, 2008. Therefore, I am vetoing this item.

VETO MESSAGE NO. 175

Page 283, lines 15 through 16:

This amendment provides \$3,610 for I & I Educational Service, Inc. This is a Non-Governmental Organization (NGO) funding request which did not meet the criteria established in my letter of April 30, 2008. Therefore, I am vetoing this item.

VETO MESSAGE NO. 176

Page 283, lines 20 through 22:

This amendment provides \$3,610 to the Northeast Louisiana Delta African-American Heritage Museum. This is a Non-Governmental Organization (NGO) funding request which did not meet the criteria established in my letter of April 30, 2008. Therefore, I am vetoing this item.

VETO MESSAGE NO. 177

Page 283, lines 23 through 24:

This amendment provides \$7,220 for Novice House, Inc. This is a Non-Governmental Organization (NGO) funding request which did not meet the criteria established in my letter of April 30, 2008. Therefore, I am vetoing this item.

VETO MESSAGE NO. 178

Page 283, lines 25 through 27:

This amendment provides \$3,610 for the Southside Economic Development District, Inc. This is a Non-Governmental Organization (NGO) funding request which did not meet the criteria established in my letter of April 30, 2008. Therefore, I am vetoing this item.

VETO MESSAGE NO. 179

Page 283, lines 28 through 29:

This amendment provides \$43,320 for The New Way Center, Inc. This is a Non-Governmental Organization (NGO) funding request which did not meet the criteria established in my letter of April 30, 2008. Therefore, I am vetoing this item.

VETO MESSAGE NO. 180

Page 283, lines 30 through 32:

This amendment provides \$7,220 for the Twin City Colored Community Welfare, Inc. This is a Non-Governmental Organization (NGO) funding request which did not meet the criteria established in my letter of April 30, 2008. Therefore, I am vetoing this item.

VETO MESSAGE NO. 181

Page 283, lines 33 through 34:

This amendment provides \$1,805 for the Community Services of Richland, Inc. This is a Non-Governmental Organization (NGO) funding request which did not meet the criteria established in my letter of April 30, 2008. Therefore, I am vetoing this item.

VETO MESSAGE NO. 182

Page 283, lines 35 through 36:

This amendment provides \$1,805 for the Pride of Waterproof Community Association. This is a Non-Governmental Organization (NGO) funding request which did not meet the criteria established in my letter of April 30, 2008. Therefore, I am vetoing this item.

VETO MESSAGE NO. 183

Page 283, lines 37 through 39:

This amendment provides \$100,000 to the Louisiana Alliance of Boys and Girls Clubs. This is a Non-Governmental Organization (NGO) funding request which did not meet the criteria established in my letter of April 30, 2008. Therefore, I am vetoing this item.

VETO MESSAGE NO. 184

Page 284, lines 1 through 3:

This amendment provides \$30,000 to Leadership Seminars of America for the Louisiana Youth Seminar. This is a Non-Governmental Organization (NGO) funding request which did not meet the criteria established in my letter of April 30, 2008. Therefore, I am vetoing this item.

VETO MESSAGE NO. 185

Page 284, lines 7 through 9:

This amendment provides \$5,000 to the Zydeco Playa Foundation. This is a Non-Governmental Organization (NGO) funding request which did not meet the criteria established in my letter of April 30, 2008. Therefore, I am vetoing this item.

VETO MESSAGE NO. 186

Page 284, lines 10 through 12:

This amendment provides \$10,000 to the Heritage Community Band. This is a Non-Governmental Organization (NGO) funding request which did not meet the criteria established in my letter of April 30, 2008. Therefore, I am vetoing this item.

VETO MESSAGE NO. 187

Page 284, lines 13 through 15:

This amendment provides \$2,500 to Kids Coupes, Inc. This is a Non-Governmental Organization (NGO) funding request which did not meet the criteria established in my letter of April 30, 2008. Therefore, I am vetoing this item.

VETO MESSAGE NO. 188

Page 284, lines 16 through 17:

This amendment provides \$35,000 for Girl Scouts of Louisiana. This is a Non-Governmental Organization (NGO) funding request which did not meet the criteria established in my letter of April 30, 2008. Therefore, I am vetoing this item.

VETO MESSAGE NO. 189

Page 284, lines 21 through 23:

This amendment provides \$5,000 for First Pentecostal Lighthouse Mission. This is a Non-Governmental Organization (NGO) funding request which did not meet the criteria established in my letter of April 30, 2008. Therefore, I am vetoing this item.

VETO MESSAGE NO. 190

Page 284, lines 24 through 26:

This amendment provides \$5,000 to Lafayette Catholic Service Centers, Inc.. This is a Non-Governmental Organization (NGO) funding request which did not meet the criteria established in my letter of April 30, 2008. Therefore, I am vetoing this item.

VETO MESSAGE NO. 191

Page 284, lines 32 through 34:

This amendment provides \$10,000 for St. Martin, Iberia, Lafayette Community Action Agency (SMILE). This is a Non-Governmental Organization (NGO) funding request which did not meet the criteria established in my letter of April 30, 2008. Therefore, I am vetoing this item.

VETO MESSAGE NO. 192

Page 285, lines 3 through 5:

This amendment provides \$75,000 to the Washington Economic Development Foundation, Inc. This is a Non-Governmental Organization (NGO) funding request which did not meet the criteria established in my letter of April 30, 2008. Therefore, I am vetoing this item.

VETO MESSAGE NO. 193

Page 285, lines 41 through 43:

This amendment provides \$15,000 for the Northeast Louisiana Delta African-American Heritage Museum. This is a Non-Governmental Organization (NGO) funding request which did not meet the criteria established in my letter of April 30, 2008. Therefore, I am vetoing this item.

VETO MESSAGE NO. 194

Page 286, lines 39 through 40:

This amendment provides \$325,000 to Treme Community Education Program, Inc. This is a Non-Governmental Organization (NGO) funding request which did not meet the criteria established in my letter of April 30, 2008. Therefore, I am vetoing this item.

VETO MESSAGE NO. 195

Page 286, lines 41 through 43:

This amendment provides \$300,000 to Succor, Inc.. This is a Non-Governmental Organization (NGO) funding request which did not meet the criteria established in my letter of April 30, 2008. Therefore, I am vetoing this item.

VETO MESSAGE NO. 196

Page 286, lines 47 through 49:

This amendment provides \$25,000 to Family Resources of Greater New Orleans, Inc. This is a Non-Governmental Organization (NGO) funding request which did not meet the criteria established in my letter of April 30, 2008. Therefore, I am vetoing this item.

VETO MESSAGE NO. 197

Page 287, lines 1 through 3:

This amendment provides \$100,000 to the Northshore Harbor Center. This is a Non-Governmental Organization (NGO) funding request which did not meet the criteria established in my letter of April 30, 2008. Therefore, I am vetoing this item.

VETO MESSAGE NO. 198

Page 287, lines 24 through 26:

This amendment provides \$100,000 to the St. Mary Parish Community Action Agency. This is a Non-Governmental Organization (NGO) funding request which did not meet the criteria established in my letter of April 30, 2008. Therefore, I am vetoing this item.

VETO MESSAGE NO. 199

Page 287, lines 27 through 29:

This amendment provides \$50,000 to the St. Mary Parish Council for recreation improvements to Centerville Park. This project should be funded through other sources. Therefore, I am vetoing this item.

VETO MESSAGE NO. 200

Page 288, lines 5 through 7:

This amendment provides \$25,000 to the Lower Algiers Community Development Association. This is a Non-Governmental Organization (NGO) funding request which did not meet the criteria established in my letter of April 30, 2008. Therefore, I am vetoing this item.

VETO MESSAGE NO. 201

Page 288, lines 8 through 10:

This amendment provides \$20,000 to the Algiers Group. This is a Non-Governmental Organization (NGO) funding request which did not meet the criteria established in my letter of April 30, 2008. Therefore, I am vetoing this item.

VETO MESSAGE NO. 202

Page 288, lines 11 through 14:

This amendment provides \$20,000 to the Old Algiers Main Street Corporation. This is a Non-Governmental Organization (NGO) funding request which did not meet the criteria established in my letter of April 30, 2008. Therefore, I am vetoing this item.

VETO MESSAGE NO. 203

Page 288, lines 15 through 17:

This amendment provides \$10,000 to the Knights of Colombus Santa Maria Council #1724. This is a Non-Governmental Organization (NGO) funding request which did not meet the criteria established in my letter of April 30, 2008. Therefore, I am vetoing this item.

VETO MESSAGE NO. 204

Page 288, lines 18 through 19:

This amendment provides \$12,500 to the Sunshine Club of Algiers. This is a Non-Governmental Organization (NGO) funding request which did not meet the criteria established in my letter of April 30, 2008. Therefore, I am vetoing this item.

VETO MESSAGE NO. 205

Page 288, lines 20 through 21:

This amendment provides \$10,000 to the Friends of A Studio in the Woods. This is a Non-Governmental Organization (NGO) funding request which did not meet the criteria established in my letter of April 30, 2008. Therefore, I am vetoing this item.

VETO MESSAGE NO. 206

Page 288, lines 22 through 23:

This amendment provides \$15,000 to the House of Ruth. This is a Non-Governmental Organization (NGO) funding request which did not meet the criteria established in my letter of April 30, 2008. Therefore, I am vetoing this item.

VETO MESSAGE NO. 207

Page 288, lines 24 through 26:

This amendment provides \$15,000 to the Jefferson Sports and Scholastic Foundation, LLC. This is a Non-Governmental Organization (NGO) funding request which did not meet the criteria established in my letter of April 30, 2008. Therefore, I am vetoing this item.

VETO MESSAGE NO. 208

Page 288, lines 27 through 29:

This amendment provides \$20,000 to the Vietnamese American Community in Louisiana. This is a Non-Governmental Organization (NGO) funding request which did not meet the criteria established in my letter of April 30, 2008. Therefore, I am vetoing this item.

VETO MESSAGE NO. 209

Page 288, lines 38 through 40:

This amendment provides \$10,000 to the Park Timbers Homeowners Association. This is a Non-Governmental Organization (NGO) funding request which did not meet the criteria established in my letter of April 30, 2008. Therefore, I am vetoing this item.

VETO MESSAGE NO. 210

Page 289, lines 7 through 9:

This amendment provides \$5,000 to the Lovetouch Ministries. This is a Non-Governmental Organization (NGO) funding request which did not meet the criteria established in my letter of April 30, 2008. Therefore, I am vetoing this item.

VETO MESSAGE NO. 211

Page 289, lines 10 through 12:

This amendment provides \$5,000 to the Progressive Community Development Corporation. This is a Non-Governmental Organization (NGO) funding request which did not meet the criteria established in my letter of April 30, 2008. Therefore, I am vetoing this item.

VETO MESSAGE NO. 212

Page 289, lines 13 through 15:

This amendment provides \$20,000 to the Clout Religious and Educational Association of Louisiana. This is a Non-Governmental Organization (NGO) funding request which did not meet the criteria established in my letter of April 30, 2008. Therefore, I am vetoing this item.

VETO MESSAGE NO. 213

Page 289, lines 16 through 18:

This amendment provides \$10,000 to the Mt. Sinai Baptist Missionary Baptist Church. This is a Non-Governmental Organization (NGO) funding request which did not meet the criteria established in my letter of April 30, 2008. Therefore, I am vetoing this item.

VETO MESSAGE NO. 214

Page 289, lines 21 through 23:

This amendment provides \$20,000 to the Fisher Community Church. This is a Non-Governmental Organization (NGO) funding request which did not meet the criteria established in my letter of April 30, 2008. Therefore, I am vetoing this item.

VETO MESSAGE NO. 215

Page 289, lines 26 through 28:

This amendment provides \$5,000 to the Family Enrichment Development Institute. This is a Non-Governmental Organization (NGO) funding request which did not meet the criteria established in my letter of April 30, 2008. Therefore, I am vetoing this item.

VETO MESSAGE NO. 216

Page 289, lines 29 through 31:

This amendment provides \$15,000 to the St. Stevens Missionary Baptist Church. This is a Non-Governmental Organization (NGO) funding request which did not meet the criteria established in my letter of April 30, 2008. Therefore, I am vetoing this item.

VETO MESSAGE NO. 217

Page 289, lines 36 through 38:

This amendment provides \$120,000 to the city of Covington for the Recreation Department for a gymnasium. This project should be funded through other sources. Therefore, I am vetoing this item.

VETO MESSAGE NO. 218

Page 289, lines 45 through 46:

This amendment provides \$15,000 to the Kids of Our Lacombe (KOOL). This is a Non-Governmental Organization (NGO) funding request which did not meet the criteria established in my letter of April 30, 2008. Therefore, I am vetoing this item.

VETO MESSAGE NO. 219

Page 290, lines 1 through 2:

This amendment provides \$10,000 to Habitat for Humanity - St. Tammany West. This is a Non-Governmental Organization (NGO) funding request which did not meet the criteria established in my letter of April 30, 2008. Therefore, I am vetoing this item.

VETO MESSAGE NO. 220

Page 290, lines 3 through 4:

This amendment provides \$10,000 to Habitat for Humanity - St. Tammany East. This is a Non-Governmental Organization (NGO) funding request which did not meet the criteria established in my letter of April 30, 2008. Therefore, I am vetoing this item.

VETO MESSAGE NO. 221

Page 290, lines 5 through 7:

This amendment provides \$100,000 for Louisiana Leadership Institute School of Performing Arts. This is a Non-Governmental Organization (NGO) funding request which did not meet the criteria established in my letter of April 30, 2008. Therefore, I am vetoing this item.

VETO MESSAGE NO. 222

Page 290, lines 8 through 9:

This amendment provides \$10,000 to Habitat for Humanity - Tangipahoa. This is a Non-Governmental Organization (NGO) funding request which did not meet the criteria established in my letter of April 30, 2008. Therefore, I am vetoing this item.

VETO MESSAGE NO. 223

Page 290, lines 12 through 13:

This amendment provides \$15,000 to OPTIONS, Inc. This is a Non-Governmental Organization (NGO) funding request which did not meet the criteria established in my letter of April 30, 2008. Therefore, I am vetoing this item.

VETO MESSAGE NO. 224

Page 290, lines 17 through 18:

This amendment provides \$300,000 for the McKinley High School Alumni Association. This is a Non-Governmental Organization (NGO) funding request which did not meet the criteria established in my letter of April 30, 2008. Therefore, I am vetoing this item.

VETO MESSAGE NO. 225

Page 290, lines 19 through 22:

This amendment provides \$50,000 for Good Will Institute for Health Services, Inc. This is a Non-Governmental Organization (NGO) funding request which did not meet the criteria established in my letter of April 30, 2008. Therefore, I am vetoing this item.

VETO MESSAGE NO. 226

Page 290, lines 23 through 24:

This amendment provides \$300,000 for Rebuilding Our Community, Inc. This is a Non-Governmental Organization (NGO) funding request which did not meet the criteria established in my letter of April 30, 2008. Therefore, I am vetoing this item.

VETO MESSAGE NO. 227

Page 290, lines 28 through 29:

This amendment provides \$50,000 YWCA of Greater New Orleans. This is a Non-Governmental Organization (NGO) funding request which did not meet the criteria established in my letter of April 30, 2008. Therefore, I am vetoing this item.

VETO MESSAGE NO. 228

Page 290, lines 36 through 38:

This amendment provides \$50,000 to the Vernon Parish Police Jury for Evans Ballpark. This project should be funded through other sources. Therefore, I am vetoing this item.

VETO MESSAGE NO. 229

Page 290, lines 39 through 40:

This amendment provides \$25,000 to the town of Rosepine for a ballpark. This project should be funded through other sources. Therefore, I am vetoing this item.

VETO MESSAGE NO. 230

Page 291, lines 11 through 12:

This amendment provides \$50,000 to the Strauss Little Theater. This is a Non-Governmental Organization (NGO) funding request which did not meet the criteria established in my letter of April 30, 2008. Therefore, I am vetoing this item.

VETO MESSAGE NO. 231

Page 291, lines 16 through 17:

This amendment provides \$50,000 to the Northeast Louisiana Film Commission. This is a Non-Governmental Organization (NGO) funding request which did not meet the criteria established in my letter of April 30, 2008. Therefore, I am vetoing this item.

VETO MESSAGE NO. 232

Page 291, lines 23 through 25:

This amendment provides \$25,000 to the Bayou Desaird Lake Restoration Commission. This is a Non-Governmental Organization (NGO) funding request which did not meet the criteria established in my letter of April 30, 2008. Therefore, I am vetoing this item.

VETO MESSAGE NO. 233

Page 291, lines 29 through 30:

This amendment provides \$15,000 to the Herbert S. Ford Memorial Museum. This is a Non-Governmental Organization (NGO) funding request which did not meet the criteria established in my letter of April 30, 2008. Therefore, I am vetoing this item.

VETO MESSAGE NO. 234

Page 291, lines 34 through 35:

This amendment provides \$24,000 to the Marion Museum. This is a Non-Governmental Organization (NGO) funding request which did not meet the criteria established in my letter of April 30, 2008. Therefore, I am vetoing this item.

VETO MESSAGE NO. 235

Page 291, lines 38 through 40:

This amendment provides \$5,000 to the Union Parish Daughters of the American Revolution (DAR). This is a Non-Governmental Organization (NGO) funding request which did not meet the criteria established in my letter of April 30, 2008. Therefore, I am vetoing this item.

VETO MESSAGE NO. 236

Page 292, lines 19 through 20:

This amendment provides \$25,000 to the West Carroll Chamber of Commerce. This is a Non-Governmental Organization (NGO) funding request which did not meet the criteria established in my letter of April 30, 2008. Therefore, I am vetoing this item.

VETO MESSAGE NO. 237

Page 292, lines 41 through 43:

This amendment provides \$50,000 to the Livingston Outdoor Sports Association. This is a Non-Governmental Organization (NGO) funding request which did not meet the criteria established in my letter of April 30, 2008. Therefore, I am vetoing this item.

VETO MESSAGE NO. 238

Page 293, lines 8 through 9:

This amendment provides \$25,000 for Watson YMCA. This is a Non-Governmental Organization (NGO) funding request which did not meet the criteria established in my letter of April 30, 2008. Therefore, I am vetoing this item.

VETO MESSAGE NO. 239

Page 293, lines 36 through 37:

This amendment provides \$50,000 for The Jefferson Education Foundation. This is a Non-Governmental Organization (NGO) funding request which did not meet the criteria established in my letter of April 30, 2008. Therefore, I am vetoing this item.

VETO MESSAGE NO. 240

Page 293, lines 40 through 41:

This amendment provides \$200,000 for the Jefferson Performing Arts Society. This is a Non-Governmental Organization (NGO) funding request which did not meet the criteria established in my letter of April 30, 2008. Therefore, I am vetoing this item.

VETO MESSAGE NO. 241

Page 293, lines 44 through 45:

This amendment provides \$25,000 to the Aranza Outreach Hope Center. This is a Non-Governmental Organization (NGO) funding request which did not meet the criteria established in my letter of April 30, 2008. Therefore, I am vetoing this item.

VETO MESSAGE NO. 242

Page 294, lines 3 through 5:

This amendment provides \$5,000 to the Tross Community Development and Counseling Center. This is a Non-Governmental Organization (NGO) funding request which did not meet the criteria established in my letter of April 30, 2008. Therefore, I am vetoing this item.

VETO MESSAGE NO. 243

Page 294, lines 8 through 11:

This amendment provides \$100,000 to the West Feliciana Parish School Board. The Minimum Foundation Program (MFP) is fully funded. Further, it is the responsibility of the department and local school systems to prioritize projects and distribute resources. Therefore, I am vetoing this item.

VETO MESSAGE NO. 244

Page 294, lines 34 through 36:

This amendment provides \$250,000 to the Knock Knock Children's Museum. This is a Non-Governmental Organization (NGO) funding request which did not meet the criteria established in my letter of April 30, 2008. Therefore, I am vetoing this item.

VETO MESSAGE NO. 245

Page 294, lines 37 through 38:

This amendment provides \$50,000 to Advance Baton Rouge. This is a Non-Governmental Organization (NGO) funding request which did not meet the criteria established in my letter of April 30, 2008. Therefore, I am vetoing this item.

VETO MESSAGE NO. 246

Page 295, lines 13 through 14:

This amendment provides \$175,000 for Edu.Comm Communications, Inc. This is a Non-Governmental Organization (NGO) funding request which did not meet the criteria established in my letter of April 30, 2008. Therefore, I am vetoing this item.

VETO MESSAGE NO. 247

Page 295, lines 22 through 23:

This amendment provides \$1,500,000 for the Family Foundation of Southwest Louisiana. This is a Non-Governmental Organization (NGO) funding request which did not meet the criteria established in my letter of April 30, 2008. Therefore, I am vetoing this item.

VETO MESSAGE NO. 248

Page 295, lines 24 through 25:

This amendment provides \$100,000 for Lecompte Youth for Excellence and Success. This is a Non-Governmental Organization (NGO) funding request which did not meet the criteria established in my letter of April 30, 2008. Therefore, I am vetoing this item.

VETO MESSAGE NO. 249

Page 295, lines 34 through 35:

This amendment provides \$300,000 for the Greater New Orleans YMCA. This is a Non-Governmental Organization (NGO) funding request which did not meet the criteria established in my letter of April 30, 2008. Therefore, I am vetoing this item.

VETO MESSAGE NO. 250

Page 295, lines 41 through 43:

This amendment provides \$30,000 to the Hammond Chamber of Commerce. This is a Non-Governmental Organization (NGO) funding request which did not meet the criteria established in my letter of April 30, 2008. Therefore, I am vetoing this item.

VETO MESSAGE NO. 251

Page 296, lines 7 through 9:

This amendment provides \$25,000 for the Boys and Girls Club of Southeast Louisiana. This is a Non-Governmental Organization (NGO) funding request which did not meet the criteria established in my letter of April 30, 2008. Therefore, I am vetoing this item.

VETO MESSAGE NO. 252

Page 296, lines 13 through 15:

This amendment provides \$50,000 for Reality House. This is a Non-Governmental Organization (NGO) funding request which did not meet the criteria established in my letter of April 30, 2008. Therefore, I am vetoing this item.

VETO MESSAGE NO. 253

Page 296, lines 16 through 18:

This amendment provides \$40,000 to Centerpoint, Inc. This is a Non-Governmental Organization (NGO) funding request which did not meet the criteria established in my letter of April 30, 2008. Therefore, I am vetoing this item.

VETO MESSAGE NO. 254

Page 296, lines 19 through 21:

This amendment provides \$25,000 for the Algiers church of God in Christ Corporation. This is a Non-Governmental Organization (NGO) funding request which did not meet the criteria established in my letter of April 30, 2008. Therefore, I am vetoing this item.

VETO MESSAGE NO. 255

Page 296, lines 22 through 24:

This amendment provides \$25,000 for the Greater Bright Morning Star Baptist Church. This is a Non-Governmental Organization (NGO) funding request which did not meet the criteria established in my letter of April 30, 2008. Therefore, I am vetoing this item.

VETO MESSAGE NO. 256

Page 296, lines 29 through 31:

This amendment provides \$25,000 to the Mt. Zion Community Development Corporation. This is a Non-Governmental Organization (NGO) funding request which did not meet the criteria established in my letter of April 30, 2008. Therefore, I am vetoing this item.

VETO MESSAGE NO. 257

Page 297, lines 8 through 10:

This amendment provides \$10,000 to the town of Lake Providence for the Soul Festival. This project should be funded through other sources. Therefore, I am vetoing this item.

VETO MESSAGE NO. 258

Page 297, lines 18 through 19:

This amendment provides \$50,000 to the Clout Religious and Education Association. This is a Non-Governmental Organization (NGO) funding request which did not meet the criteria established in my letter of April 30, 2008. Therefore, I am vetoing this item.

Sincerely,

Bobby Jindal Governor

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