RESOLUTION 217 OF 2012

A RESOLUTION IN SUPPORT OF LSU HEALTH SCIENCES CENTER SHREVEPORT AS A HEALTHCARE PROVIDER, EDUCATOR & ESSENTIAL ECONOMIC CONTRIBUTOR, AND OTHERWISE PROVIDING WITH RESPECT THERETO

BY: JEFF EVERSON

WHEREAS, for over 135 years- since 1876, the hospital currently known as LSU Medical Center has been a part of the Shreveport-Bossier City community; and

WHEREAS, the School of Medicine was established in 1969, and subsequently a School of Allied Health Professions and School of Graduate Studies were established to train healthcare professionals; and

WHEREAS, a Chancellor was appointed for the Shreveport campus in 2000 and given autonomy by the Louisiana State Legislature from the LSU Health Sciences Center New Orleans in 2005; and

WHEREAS, as an academic medical center/university teaching hospital, LSU Health Shreveport serves as a essential resource to the region as a healthcare provider, a healthcare educator, a hub of intellectual capital and a key community business; and

WHEREAS, LSU Health Shreveport provided care for more than 489,000 patients visits last year with over 409,100 outpatient visits, over 59,100 emergency room visits, and over 21,600 patients admitted into the hospital for care and that these are citizens of the Shreveport-Bossier region, the tri-state Ark-La-Tex area, every region in Louisiana, and from over 144 health care facility referrals; and

WHEREAS, LSU Health Shreveport provides unique services to our region including caring for more than 1,400 trauma patients last year through the Regional Trauma Center, and thousands more requiring specialized care through the Regional Burn Center, Feist-Weiller Cancer Center, St Jude Affiliate Clinic, Sickle Cell Clinic, Children's Hospital, and Center for Excellence for Arthritis & Rheumatology; and

WHEREAS, LSU Health Shreveport works in collaboration with community partners such as the Biomedical Research Institute, Shriners Hospital for Children, CHRISTUS Shreveport-Bossier, and Willis-Knighton Health System; and

WHEREAS, throughout the years, LSU Health Shreveport has educated and trained over 11,400 health care professionals, including students, residents and fellows, with the School of Medicine graduating 3,521 physicians, the School of Allied Health Professions graduating 2,514 health care professionals, the School of Graduate Studies graduating 402 students, and the teaching hospital training over 5,000 residents and fellows; and

WHEREAS, more than 1,500 healthcare professionals are being educated and trained at LSU Health Shreveport today with 469 medical students, 346 allied health professional students, 75 graduate studies students, as well as 611 residents and fellows; and

WHEREAS, LSU Health Shreveport School of Allied Health Professionals has the largest physician assistant program in the state; and

WHEREAS, LSU Health Shreveport is an intellectual capital hub with over 500 full-time faculty physicians on staff and over \$21 million in research grants awarded presently with the School of Graduate Studies as a major component of the research base; and

WHEREAS, LSU Health Shreveport has established partnerships within the community for residency training such as Gastroenterology, Neurology, and Oral Maxillofacial surgery with Willis-Knighton; Family Medicine with Rapides Regional Medical Center in Alexandria, and Rural Health at Vivian Medical Center; and

WHEREAS, almost a dozen pediatric sub-specialists are accessible to our region due to LSU Health Shreveport School of Medicine faculty physicians, some of which are also supported by and provide services at CHRISTUS Schumpert including the region 's only Pediatric Neurosurgeon; and

WHEREAS, LSU Health Shreveport has thirty-nine residency and fellow accredited training programs and has the highest level of institutional accreditation; and

WHEREAS, LSU Health Shreveport has acquired the newest technology to train residents and provide patient care, such as the only dual-controlled Robotic Surgery System in the state, the Gamma Knife, Cellvizio microscopic visualization and GPS Guided Bronchoscopy; and

WHEREAS, the campus helps advance new cures and treatments for various medical conditions through research and clinical trials; and

WHEREAS, the Association of American Medical Colleges has found two-thirds of Louisiana medical school graduates who are taught in a Louisiana teaching hospital stay in the region; and

WHEREAS, a recent joint American Hospital Association and Louisiana State Medical Society study found each office-based physician generates \$2 million in economic impact; and

WHEREAS, in addition to the economic contributions of its alumni, LSU Health Shreveport is a major economic contributor to the Shreveport-Bossier community and entire north Louisiana region with over \$730 million in annual business generated, and is the largest employer in the city of Shreveport with over 5,900 employees.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Shreveport City Council supports LSU Health Sciences Center Shreveport and the Chancellor in its mission to provide primary and

specialty healthcare for all regardless of their financial means, educate healthcare professionals for our future, help advance healthcare through research and continue to contribute to the Shreveport-Bossier City community.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that if any provision of this resolution or the application thereof is held invalid, such invalidity shall not affect other provisions, items or applications of this resolution which can be given effect without the invalid provisions, items or applications and to this end the provisions of this resolution are hereby declared severable.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that all resolutions or parts thereof in conflict herewith are hereby repealed.

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APPROVED AS TO LEGAL FORM:

CITY ATTORNEY'S OFFICE

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November 27, 2012

Read by title and as read motion by Councilman <u>Everson</u> seconded by Councilman <u>Shyne</u> for adoption. Approved by the following vote: Ayes: Councilmen Jeff Everson, Oliver Jenkins, Michael Corbin, Ron Webb, Joe Shyne, and Sam Jenkins. 6. Nays: None. Absent: Councilwoman Rose Wilson-McCulloch. 1.

Sam L. Jenkins, Jr, Chairman

Approved

Cedric B. Glovet, Mayor

Approved by the Mayor NOV

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And Effective on

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at 12:01 O'clock A.M."

Arthur G. Thompson, Clerk of Council