

**RESOLUTION NO. \_\_\_\_\_ OF 2014**

**A RESOLUTION SUPPORTING LEGISLATION AUTHORIZING A TAX TO BE LEVIED OF UP TO 2.5% ON EACH HOTEL AND MOTEL ROOM IN CADDO AND BOSSIER PARISHES AND TO OTHERWISE PROVIDE WITH RESPECT THERETO**

BY: COUNCILMEN MICHAEL CORBIN AND JOE SHYNE

**WHEREAS**, three entities which facilitate economic development in the community need a revenue source to continue their respective missions; and

**WHEREAS**, a 2.5% tax on each hotel and motel room in Caddo and Bossier Parishes will provide the needed revenue for the Arklatex Regional Air Service Alliance, Independence Bowl Foundation and the Shreveport-Bossier Sports Commission to fulfill and expand their missions; and

**WHEREAS**, the three entities have agreed to split the proceeds of the referenced tax as follows: Arklatex Regional Air Service Alliance 37.5%, Independence Bowl Foundation 37.5%, Shreveport-Bossier Sports Commission 25%.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** by the City Council of Shreveport, Louisiana, in regular session convened, that it supports the referenced legislation and encourages the State Legislature to authorize a tax to be levied of up to 2.5% on each hotel and motel room in Caddo and Bossier Parishes to be split as follows: Arklatex Regional Air Service Alliance 37.5%, Independence Bowl Foundation 37.5%, and Shreveport-Bossier Sports Commission 25%

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that if any provision of the 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**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that all resolutions or parts thereof in conflict herewith are hereby repealed.

APPROVED AS TO LEGAL FORM:

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City Attorney's Office