AN ORDINANCE TO ADOPT THE 2003 ANNUAL OPERATING AND CAPITAL OUTLAY BUDGET FOR THE WASHINGTON PARISH GOVERNMENT

THE WASHINGTON PARISH COUNCIL DOES HEREBY ORDAIN:

SECTION I: That the 2003 annual Operating and Capital Outlay Budget for fiscal year beginning January 1, 2003 and ending December 31, 2003 for the Washington Parish Government is hereby adopted as per Budget Summary attached hereto and made a part hereof (Addendum A).

SECTION II: Amounts available for expenditure only to the extent included in the 2003 budget with the exception of those functions and line items listed in the bound copy of the 2003 Budget in Section II, pages 1-5 and also Section IV page 1.

SECTION III: The Parish Council shall by ordinance adopt the budget for the ensuing fiscal year at least 30 days prior to the close of the current fiscal year. The council may make emergency appropriations by emergency ordinance in accordance with the provisions of the charter. The Council by ordinance may reduce any appropriation at any time, with the exception of debt service appropriation. An unencumbered appropriation balance may be transferred from one department, office or agency to another or from one program to another only upon council action by ordinance.

SECTION IV: The Parish President, if during the fiscal year, certifies there are, available for appropriation, revenues in excess of those estimated in the operating budget, the President may present a supplemental budget for the disposition of such revenues. And the Council by ordinance may make supplemental appropriations for the year up to amount of such excess in the same manner required for the adoption of the budget. If at any time during the fiscal year it appears to the President that the funds available will be insufficient to meet the amount appropriated, the President shall report to the Council without delay, indicating the estimated amount of the deficit, any remedial action taken and recommendations as to any other steps to be taken. The Council shall then take such further action, as it deems necessary to prevent a deficit. At any time during the fiscal year the President may transfer part or all of any unencumbered appropriation within programs, except that no transfer shall be made to or from the salary account unless approved by the Council by Ordinance. Such transfers shall not cause the total appropriated to increase.
The above and foregoing having been submitted to a vote, the vote thereupon resulted as follows:

YEAS: 7 (Sumrall, Thomas, Sharp, Wheat, Miley, Nassauer and Brown)

NAYS: 0 (None)

ABSENT: 0 (None)

And the ordinance was declared adopted on the 18th day of November 2002.

Rodney Brown, Chairman
Washington Parish Council

Delivered to the Parish President

11/19/02, 2002 at 1:45 p.m.

M. E. "Toye" Taylor, Parish President

Certification

I hereby certify that the above and foregoing is a true and correct copy of an ordinance adopted at a regular meeting of the Council of the Parish of Washington, held in Franklinton, LA on Monday, November 18, 2002.

Sylvia Forbes, Clerk of the Council