RESOLUTION NO. _____ OF 2014

A RESOLUTION TO ALLOCATE FUNDS TO A SPECIFIC NOT-FOR-PROFIT ORGANIZATION FROM FUNDS BUDGETED IN "OTHER CHARGES" IN THE RIVERFRONT DEVELOPMENT SPECIAL REVENUE FUND AND TO OTHERWISE PROVIDE WITH RESPECT THERETO.

BY: Councilman Jeff Everson

WHEREAS, special appropriations are made each year by the City of Shreveport and then allocated to certain not-for-profit organizations which serve an overriding public purpose; and

WHEREAS, funds have been budgeted in "Other Charges" in the Riverfront Development Special Revenue Fund for projects and programs of the not-for-profit organizations; and

WHEREAS, the City Council's Riverfront/B4 Committee has been exploring ways to insure that these special appropriated funds are put to the highest and best use; and

WHEREAS, to assist the Riverfront/B4 Committee and the Council to make the best decisions possible, the Riverfront/B4 Committee appointed a Civic Appropriation Review Committee to rate the applications, composed of a person from the following organizations and offices: the Community Foundation of North Louisiana; the United Way of Northwest Louisiana, The Louisiana Association of Nonprofit Organizations, the Mayor's Office, and the Council's Staff; and

WHEREAS, the Civic Appropriation Review Committee's report to the Riverfront B/4 Committee read in part as follows:

The Committee was guided in its work by the ordinance that governs the Riverfront Development Fund, Shreveport Ordinance 98, 1996 (Code of Ordinances, Sec. 26-201 et seq.), which provides in part: "The purpose of this fund shall be to dedicate these monies to the advancement of riverfront and downtown development and other economic development funds." Although each application had merit, the Application Review Committee believes that only the following comply with the ordinance; and

WHEREAS, this resolution authorizes the payment of funds to specific organizations with applications found by the Civic Appropriations Review Committee to comply with Ordinance 98 of 1996.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the City Council of the City of

Shreveport in due, legal and regular session convened that in addition to previously allocated funds, funds budgeted in the Other Charges character level of the Riverfront Development Special Revenue Fund for the Civic Appropriation sub-object shall be allocated as follows:

Organizations	Amount
Cohabitat	\$30,160
VOA Dress For Success	\$3,016
Providence House	\$37,700
Robinson Film Center	\$26,390
SCI-PORT	\$30,160

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that if any provision or item 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 application, 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	