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TO: CITY COUNCIL MEMBERS

I have decided to allow Resolution 130 of 2009 to become effective without my signature. This action is taken in accordance with Section 4.21 of the Charter. I have been encouraged by many to veto this legislation however, I decided not to do so as I do not wish to send this City or its citizens through unnecessary and counterproductive maneuvering. These actions erode the public's confidence in its elected officials.

I have an appreciation for the sentiment of the City Council in adopting this legislation and, while I disagree with the approach taken, I respect your desire to move forward with the process to offer the property for lease.

It goes without saying that the City would benefit from the potential revenue from these leases. My desire is that the actions taken by the City of Shreveport and its officials will not have an adverse effect on the citizens of this city who ultimately will bear the burden of drilling operations within our boundaries. I also want to maintain the value of our publically owned property as it relates to drilling operations. I will continue to fight for our neighborhood coalitions and groups as they engage this process and, continue to call upon the operators in our area to treat these groups with respect and fairness.

In this spirit of moving our city forward as leaders, I call upon the City Council to assist me in finding means to put our neighborhood groups in the best possible position to deal with these issues even as we seek to properly advance the City's interest regarding the publically owned land. Recognizing there will be other challenges as we navigate these uncertain waters, I will continue to advance what I believe to be in the best interest of our city and its citizens.

Sincerely,

Cedric B. Glover
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