

RESOLUTION NO. _____ OF 2017

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO REQUEST ASSISTANCE FROM THE CADDO PARISH SHERIFF TO AID THE SHREVEPORT POLICE DEPARTMENT IN PATROLLING AND OTHER LAW ENFORCEMENT ACTIVITIES WITHIN THE CITY OF SHREVEPORT DUE TO STATISTICS SHOWING A SURGE IN CRIME IN SHREVEPORT, AND TO OTHERWISE PROVIDE WITH RESPECT THERETO

BY: COUNCILMAN WILLIE BRADFORD

WHEREAS, the Shreveport Police Department's April 2017 Monthly Crime Comparison report, (the report) shows an increase in violent and property crimes; and

WHEREAS, in comparing April 2017 statistics to the same YTD period last year, the report shows increases in certain categories of offenses including the following: a 138% increase in homicide; a 21% increase in forcible rape; a 150% increase in business armed robbery, and a 139% increase in business burglary; and

WHEREAS, the increase in criminal activity has generated some fear and a great deal of concern among citizens; and

WHEREAS, because of the increased criminal activity and the concern that this increased activity is generating, citizens of Shreveport need, and are entitled to, have all law enforcement assets available to them focused on a reduction in criminal activity.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the City Council of the City of Shreveport in due, legal and regular session convened, that the Shreveport City Council authorizes the Mayor to request the Caddo Parish Sheriff to aid the Shreveport Police Department in patrolling and other law enforcement activities within the City of Shreveport, in an effort to reduce crime and criminal activity.

APPROVED AS TO LEGAL FORM:

City Attorney's Office