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## VIA HAND DELIVERY

Honorable Clay J. Schexnayder Speaker of the House Louisiana House of Representatives Post Office Box 94062 Baton Rouge, Louisiana 70804-9062 Honorable Patrick Page Cortez President Louisiana State Senate Post Office Box 94183 Baton Rouge, Louisiana 70804

RE: Line Item Vetoes in House Bill 39 of the 2020 Second Extraordinary Session

Dear Speaker Schexnayder and President Cortez:

Please allow this letter to inform you that I have signed House Bill 39 of the 2020 Second Extraordinary Session. However, I have exercised my line item veto authority granted to me to veto six items.

I have exercised my line item veto authority as follows:

- Veto No. 1: Delete Page 2 of 17, lines 25-28: This item places unnecessary restrictions on an executive branch agency that are in violation of Article II, Section 2 of the Louisiana Constitution.
- Veto No. 2: Delete Page 8 of 17, Lines 42-45: This line item is to provide funds to the South Louisiana Wetlands Discovery Center. This project already has received funding through House Bill 2 of the 2020 First Extraordinary Session in the amount of \$990.000, \$56,400 of which was from the state general fund.
- **Veto No. 3:** Delete Page 9 of 17, lines 1-3: This project provides for \$230,000 to establish a dog park at the East Houma airbase.
- **Veto No. 4:** Delete Page 9 of 17, lines 8-11: This line item provides for neighborhood security cameras in Houma.
- **Veto No. 5:** Delete Page 9 of 17, lines 43-45: This line item provides for improvement and construction of a lighthouse in the Town of Madisonville.

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Veto No. 6: Delete Page 11 of 17, lines 18-19: This item provides for community waterworks in Grant Parish.

Enclosed is a copy of the signed version of House Bill 39. I have sent the original to the Secretary of State.

Sincerely,

ohn Bel Edwards

Governor

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