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ST. TAMMANY CHAMBER SUPPORTS HOUSE BILL ADDRESSING PORT GOVERNANCE

(COVINGTON, LA, April 28, 2026)— As a leading voice of business in St. Tammany Parish, representing more than 1,000 area businesses and their 37,000 employees, the St. Tammany Chamber of Commerce remains engaged on issues being considered at the state level that impact the parish's economic growth and quality of life. The St. Tammany Chamber (through its Executive Committee and Board of Directors) voted to support HB871, authored by State Representative Kim Carver.

House Bill 871 proposes expanding the Board of Commissioners of the Port of New Orleans from seven to nine members, adding two representatives from St. Tammany Parish. The additional representation would ensure the parish has a stronger voice in decisions that influence regional commerce, transportation and economic development.

"Our Board supports thoughtful, forward-looking policy that strengthens the Northshore and our region," said Board Chair Ronnie Simpson. "Ensuring St. Tammany Parish has representation in key economic decisions is important to maintaining our quality of life and supporting continued growth."

The Chamber will continue to monitor legislation and advocate for policies that support a strong business climate and a thriving community in St. Tammany Parish.

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St. Tammany Chamber of Commerce

The St. Tammany Chamber of Commerce promotes, supports and advocates for businesses with a commitment to the success of the Northshore. The Chamber is a catalyst for a community that prospers. With more than 1,000 member organizations, the Chamber stands on the frontlines of ensuring our community is primed for success through advocacy, business support, networking and promotion. Members range from multinational corporations with an interest on the Northshore to small local organizations that are the backbone of the community. As the local business community diversifies and grows, the Chamber remains focused on strengthening the business climate and economic vitality of St. Tammany.