

RESOLUTION NO. XX OF 2021

BY THE CADDO PARISH COMMISSION:

A RESOLUTION CONDEMNING THE JANUARY 6, 2021 ATTACK ON THE UNITED STATES CAPITOL, AND TO OTHERWISE PROVIDE WITH RESPECT THERETO.

WHEREAS, the January 6, 2021, attack on the U.S. Capitol Building is unprecedented and resulted in the terrorizing of our senators, congressional representatives and staff persons, the theft of personal possessions, and the desecration of our symbol of democracy; and

WHEREAS, five people were killed as a result of the attack, including Capitol Police Officer Brian Sicknick; and

WHEREAS, the peaceful transition of power after a free and fair election is essential for a functioning democracy; and

WHEREAS, local, state, and federal election officials as well as the Department of Justice and the Department of Homeland Security have determined that the 2020 election was fair and the results accurate; and

WHEREAS, Joseph Biden was the winner of the 2020 presidential election; and

WHEREAS, unsubstantiated allegations that the 2020 election was not free and fair were spread and amplified by political groups and politicians; and

WHEREAS, these unsubstantiated allegations inspired a group of violent protestors to attack the U.S. Capitol Building on January 6, 2021, during the certification of the Presidential election.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the January 6, 2021, attack on the U.S. Capitol Building is condemned; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the allegations about the integrity of our election are unsubstantiated and were their dissemination was politically motivated; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Caddo Parish Commission offers its deepest condolences to the family of Officer Brian Sicknick and honors Officer Sicknick for his dedication and service to our country; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Caddo Parish Commission wishes to acknowledge and thank the Senators, Congressional representatives, staff persons and all other employees who returned to work on the grounds or in the U.S. Capitol building in the aftermath of the violent attack.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that our democracy is resilient to such acts of domestic terrorism.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the peaceful transition of power and commitment to the values memorialized in our Constitution by our founding fathers are hereby acknowledged and affirmed.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that if any provision or item or the application thereof is held invalid, such invalidity shall not affect other provisions, items or applications which can be given effect without the invalid provisions, items or applications, and to this end the provisions of this ordinance are hereby declared severable.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that this resolution shall take effect upon adoption.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that all resolutions or parts thereof in conflict herewith are hereby repealed.

Approved as to legal form:

Parish Attorney

Date