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President's Report

October 21, 2025

To the Honorable St. Bernard Parish Councilmembers and Residents,

St. Bernard Parish Government continues to make steady progress across multiple public works and capital projects. Work continues at the Sheriff's Office Annex Building where crews have completed caulking all windows and are closing in the underside of the building with plywood and a moisture barrier. Materials have been ordered to fully enclose the area with metal sheeting. The Val Reiss Turf Project and the Reggio Water Tower Project both held pre-construction meetings last week, and contractors have begun ordering materials and taking site measurements. At the Farmsite/Torres Pump Station, crews set the manhole for the emergency power outlet and are currently working on the 8-inch force main along Torres Drive, with gravity line work scheduled to begin this week. The Riverbend Force Main is now complete under Violet Canal, and boring for the remaining 4,000 feet of 18-inch pipe toward the Violet Pump Station is underway, with completion anticipated by Thanksgiving. The Violet Canal Fence project is complete, miscellaneous drainage punch list items are expected to wrap up by October 31.

New and renewed business licenses this period include; Labyrinth Gaming, Gimme Some Sugar, Orgtegas Maids Services, Bailey's Lawn Solutions, Primary Early Education Center, Dickey's Barbecue, Balloons Creations By Liz, Boss Body Babee, Marco Polo Restaurant, and Pierre Fine Furniture. Please continue to patronize and support our local businesses, big and small.

Recent weeks have been filled with exciting community milestones and celebrations. On October 16, the St. Bernard Parish Fire Department proudly graduated its first-ever Firefighter Academy class, marking a historic achievement for the department and the community. The inaugural class, Firefighters; Hunter Brockhaus, Christian Broadbridge, and Oakley Fischer, completed months of intensive training under the leadership of Training Officers Eric Crotwell and Ryan Roy, along with a dedicated instructional team. Fire Chief Earl Borden commended the graduates and instructors for their commitment to safety, service, and professionalism.

On October 15, I joined the family of the late Henry "Junior" Rodriguez, along with State Representative Mike Bayham and DOTD representatives, to dedicate a portion of LA46 as the "Henry Rodriguez Jr. Memorial Highway." The newly designated stretch runs from Leon Road to the four-way stop and stands as a lasting tribute to Junior's five decades of service to St. Bernard Parish. His leadership, particularly during Hurricane Katrina, and his lifelong dedication to preserving the parish's culture and people will be forever remembered. For municipal purposes, addresses will remain listed on LA 46.

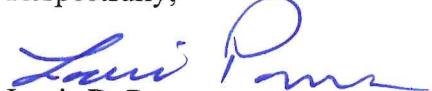
The weekend of October 12 brought nearly 2,000 visitors to eastern St. Bernard Parish for two incredible events celebrating local culture and community pride. At the Fiesta Filipina held at the Islenos Complex, over 1,700

guests enjoyed a vibrant showcase of Filipino heritage through food, music, and cultural performances. Down the road in Shell Beach, about 300 anglers participated in the St. Bernard Catholic Church Fishing Rodeo at Campo's Marina, enjoying a day of fishing, family, and fun. And finally, the St. Bernard Seafood Market held on October 18 was also a great success, thanks to all who came out to support our local fisherman and other vendors. I am grateful to the many volunteers and organizations who made these events possible, and for supporting, celebrating, and sustaining our community and unique culture.

Looking ahead, residents are encouraged to attend several upcoming events, including Old Arai Neighborhood Association's Sippin' in the Sunset on Thursday, October 23 at Aycock Barn in Arabi from 6pm-9pm, featuring a kids' and adult costume contest. The St. Bernard Chamber of Commerce will host their popular annual Tour da Parish bike event. Hundreds of bikers of all levels and speeds will roll through eastern St. Bernard Parish on Saturday, October 25, followed by Cruzin' da Parish on November 8, hosted by the St. Bernard Rod Knockers, with proceeds benefiting local charities. Finally, the Veterans Day Parade and Ceremony will take place on Tuesday, November 11, from 10:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m., as the parish gathers to honor our local heroes.

As always, I remain committed to improving infrastructure, strengthening community partnerships, and supporting the people who make St. Bernard Parish such a special place to live, work, and visit.

Respectfully,


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Public Works and Road Yard Update

Concrete Work:

- 3804 Jean Laffite – 168 sq ft of street panel
- 3832 Plaza – 120 sq ft of street panel
- 2401 Volpe – 186 sq ft of driveway and sidewalk

Canals & Drainage:

Completed debris removal and cut, last week:

- East Railroad Ditch
- Bluebird Lateral & Extension
- Congressman Hebert & Creely
- Chalmette Vista
- Guichard
- Virtue
- De La Ronde
- Corinne
- Debouchel
- Lower Docville
- Put a call into DOTD for them to skim some ditches
- A, B & C Streets, Jules Brown, and Louis Elam – 6,000 ft of ditches dug
- Fixed flats on Chalmette Vista, 40 Arpent, and Guichard Canals – 50 loads of mud used and cleaned behind houses on Guichard Canal
- 17 Carolyn Court – 13 linear ft of 12" A2000 crossover
- Flush Truck – Daniel, Stacie, and Guerra (3,000 ft of drain lines ran); Angelique (1,100 ft); 1st and C Street (500 ft)