RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL FOR THE CITY OF PASCAGOULA, MISSISSIPPI DESIGNATING A PORTION OF THE CITY OF PASCAGOULA, MISSISSIPPI AS CONTAINING AREAS APPROPRIATE FOR URBAN RENEWAL PROJECTS IN ACCORDANCE WITH SECTION 43-35-1 ET SEQ, MISSISSIPPI CODE OF 1972, AS AMENDED AND DESIGNATING A SLUM AND BLIGHTED AREA AND CERTIFYING THE NEED FOR REDEVELOPMENT

WHEREAS, the City of Pascagoula, Mississippi (the "City") is authorized by the Urban Renewal Law Section 43-35-1 *et seq*, Mississippi Code of 1972, as amended (the "Act") to establish a workable program for utilizing appropriate private and public resources to eliminate and prevent the development or spread of slums and urban blight in the City, to encourage needed urban rehabilitation in the City, to provide for the redevelopment of the slum and blighted areas in the City, or to undertake such activities as may be suitably employed to achieve the objectives of such workable program; and

WHEREAS, the Act further authorizes the City to undertake and finance Urban Renewal Projects (as defined in the Act) for the purpose of revitalizing areas designated by the Mayor and City Council of the City (the "Governing Body") as slum and blighted urban renewal area under the Act; and

WHEREAS, the revitalization of an urban renewal must be in accordance with an urban renewal plan, prepared by or on behalf of the City and approved by the Governing Body, which must be accordance with the City's general plan for the physical development of the City as a whole; and

WHEREAS, on August 19, 2008, the Governing Body designated certain areas in the City as constituting slum or blighted areas, which it expanded on February 7, 2023, and the Governing Body now desires to designate additional areas as constituting slum or blighted areas needing revitalization and redevelopment; and

WHEREAS, the aforementioned additional area designated for the revitalization and redevelopment is attached as Exhibit "A" and made part hereof: and

WHEREAS, the City has received certain photographic evidence of various properties located within the area shown on the map attached as Exhibit "A," which photographic evidence is as Exhibit "B"; and

WHEREAS, the City has received a letter from Josh Church, Planning Building Director, certifying that the area in question is in fact a slum and blighted area as defined in Urban Renewal Law Section 43-35-1 *et seq*, Mississippi Code of 1972, as amended, said letter being attached as Exhibit "C";

WHEREAS, the Governing Body has determined that (i) the area of the City described in Exhibit A to this Resolution as the East Pascagoula Urban Renewal Area, which is incorporated by reference, contains slum and blighted areas of the City under the Act, (ii) the rehabilitation, conservation, redevelopment, or combination thereof of slum and blighted portions of that area is necessary and in the interests of public health, safety, morals and welfare of the residents of the City, and (iii) the area is appropriate for urban renewal projects.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED AS FOLLOWS:

SECTION 1. The Governing Body hereby adopt the forgoing recitals as its findings.

SECTION 2. This Resolution is adopted pursuant to the Urban Renewal Act and other applicable laws of the State. The Governing Body hereby determines that (i) the area described in Exhibit A to this Resolution is designated the East Pascagoula Urban Renewal Area, said area containing slum and blighted areas of the City under the Act, (ii) the rehabilitation, conservation, redevelopment or combination thereof, of slum and blighted portions of that area is necessary

and ii	n the interests	of public health,	safety, r	morals a	nd welfa	re of the	residents	of the	City,	and
(iii) tl	he area is app	ropriate for Urba	n Renew	al Proje	cts.					

The motion to approve the foregoing resolution was made by the Councilman							
and seconded by Councilman and	d the following vote was recorded:						
Mayor Willis							
Councilman Hyde							
Councilman Fornett							
Councilman Walker							
Councilman Parker							
Councilman Blythe							
Councilman Gatchell							
RESOLVED , this the day of	, 2023.						
ATTEST:	CITY COUNCIL						
	By:						
City Clerk	Mayor						