The following resolution was offered by	_Mr. Rodney Trahan,	, seconded by _.	_Mrs. Jackie Balmer	
and unanimously carried:				

RESOLUTION NO. 002-2020

A RESOLUTION REQUESTING THE LOUISIANA DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION AND DEVELOPMENT TO CONDUCT A FEASIBILITY STUDY TO REPLACE THE INTERSTATE 10 ROADWAY LIGHTING SYSTEM, COMMIT THE REQUIRED LOCAL TEN PERCENT MATCH AND AUTHORIZE THE MAYOR TO ENTER INTO AGREEMENTS WITH THE STATE

WHEREAS, the Town of Welsh desires to replace the antiquated roadway lighting system at Interstate 10 and Louisiana Highway 99 installed in the mid 1970's which the Town currently assumes all the liability, maintains said infrastructure and also pays the energy costs of this lighting system; and WHEREAS, the Louisiana Department of Transportation and Development has a program that will provide for the installation of new roadway lighting at the interchange of Interstate 10 and Louisiana 99 in the Town of Welsh; and

WHEREAS, the Town of Welsh desires to participate in said program and requests the Louisiana Department of Transportation and Development to conduct a feasibility study to replace said antiquated roadway lighting system; and

WHEREAS, prior to installation of said roadway lighting system, the Town of Welsh must enter into an agreement with the Louisiana Department of Transportation which obligates the Town to pay ten percent (10%) of the construction cost, and assume all legal liability for, and all maintenance and energy cost of said system; and

WHEREAS, in order to proceed with the design of said roadway lighting system, the Louisiana Department of Transportation and Development requires that the governing authority authorize the Mayor to execute the subject agreement on behalf of the Town of Welsh.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Alderman of the Town of Welsh that the Louisiana Department of Transportation and Development is hereby requested to perform a feasibility study relative to the replacement of the antiquated roadway lighting system at the interchange of Interstate 10 and Louisiana 99 in the Town of Welsh; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Town of Welsh hereby commits the required local ten percent (10%) match of the construction cost of such a roadway lighting system; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that Mayor Carolyn Louviere is hereby authorized to enter into an agreement with the Louisiana Department of Transportation and Development to obligate the Town of Welsh to pay the local ten percent (10%) match of the construction cost, assume all liability for the new roadway lighting system, assume all maintenance operating and energy costs for said new roadway lighting system; and

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

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that all resolutions or parts thereof in conflict herewith are hereby repealed. **THEREUPON**, the above resolution was duly adopted.

CERTIFICATE

I, Eva C. Kibodeaux, Clerk, of the Town of Welsh, do hereby certify that the above is a true and exact copy of a resolution adopted by the Board of Alderman of the Town of Welsh on January 7, 2020, at which time a quorum was present and voting.

Eva C. Kibodeaux, Town Clerk Town of Welsh