

RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, the Louisiana State Bar Association is committed to preserving the dignity and viability of the justice system;

WHEREAS, the Louisiana State Bar Association serves the public good by improving the administration of justice and increasing access to justice;

WHEREAS, the current courthouse for the Civil District Court for the Parish of Orleans does not adequately serve the public and is not conducive to the effective administration of justice;

WHEREAS, the Louisiana State Bar Association has recognized for over twenty (20) years that in the interest of justice, a new courthouse located in downtown New Orleans was needed for the Orleans Parish Civil District Court;

WHEREAS, Senate Bill 154 (SB154) addresses this need by authorizing a stand-alone courthouse to be constructed on the Duncan Plaza site formerly occupied by the Louisiana Supreme Court.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Louisiana State Bar Association fully supports and endorses SB154 and the construction of a stand-alone courthouse on the Duncan Plaza site.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that in the interest of the public and for the efficient administration of justice, the Louisiana State Bar Association urges its members and all citizens of the State of Louisiana to support the construction of a much needed, stand-alone courthouse on the Duncan Plaza site in New Orleans.

Signed on May 22, 2013.



Phillip A. Wittmann
Delegate, Orleans Parish