## RESOLUTION HONORING THE RETIREMENT OF BOARD OF ARCHITECTURAL REVIEW CHAIRWOMAN TONI LANFORD FERGUSON

**WHEREAS**, Toni Lanford Ferguson has served as a member and Chairwoman of the Board of Architectural Review since being appointed by former City of Vicksburg Mayor Robert Walker for over 25 years; and

WHEREAS, Toni Lanford Ferguson has retired from the Board effective February 27, 2024; and

**WHEREAS**, Toni Lanford Ferguson has been an invaluable member to this Board and to the improvement of historic properties and buildings in the historic district by ensuring that property owners complied with the City of Vicksburg's ordinances; and

**WHEREAS**, Toni Lanford Ferguson brought a wealth of education and expertise in serving on the Board as she received a Bachelor of Fine Arts with emphasis on Design from the College of William and Mary in Virginia; and

WHEREAS, she pursued the enhancement of the historical district and personally participated in the outcomes of many decisions made by the Board which included saving buildings slated for demolition which included the former Sears Building on Washington Street, the pre-Civil War building overlooking the City's park, the Kitchen building located behind Planter's Hall among many other buildings, advising applicants on making additions and changes to their properties based upon the knowledge and skills possessed by the varying Board members and also providing guidance on property owners seeking to preserve and improve their properties; and

**WHEREAS**, the Board of Mayor and Aldermen of the City of Vicksburg hereby desire to acknowledge the many contributions of Toni Lanford Ferguson to the Board of Architectural Review.

**NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED,** that the Board of Mayor and Aldermen of the City of Vicksburg hereby expresses gratitude to Toni Lanford Ferguson for her service on the Board of Architectural Review, for providing outstanding leadership in serving as Chairwoman of the Board, for providing sound advice and guidance to property owners owning property in the Historic District and and for all that she has contributed to the Board; and

**FURTHER RESOLVED,** that the Board wishes Toni Lanford Ferguson continued success in all her endeavors and expresses our hope for her continued health, happiness, and prosperity and an enjoyable retirement.

So Resolved this the \_\_\_\_\_ day of March, 2024.

GEORGE FLAGGS, JR., MAYOR

MICHAEL A. MAYFIELD, SR., ALDERMAN

ALEX J. MONSOUR, JR., ALDERMAN