By: Representative Ladner

To: Local and Private Legislation

## HOUSE BILL NO. 4129

- AN ACT TO AUTHORIZE THE GOVERNING AUTHORITIES OF THE CITY OF
- 2 BAY ST. LOUIS, MISSISSIPPI, TO UTILIZE CERTAIN FEDERAL FUNDS 3 AWARDED BY THE FEDERAL EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT AGENCY (FEMA) TO
- 4 ASSIST WITH FLOOD MITIGATION WITHIN THE CITY; AND FOR RELATED
- 5 PURPOSES.
- 6 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF MISSISSIPPI:
- 7 **SECTION 1.** As used in this act, the following terms have the
- 8 meanings ascribed to them in this section unless the context
- 9 clearly indicates otherwise:
- 10 (a) "City" means the City of Bay St. Louis,
- 11 Mississippi;
- 12 (b) "FEMA" means the Federal Emergency Management
- 13 Agency;
- 14 (c) "Funds" means the federal grant monies awarded
- 15 through the Fiscal Year 2022 Flood Mitigation Assistance (FMA)
- 16 SWIFT Current grant program; and
- 17 (d) "Governing authorities" means the Mayor and the
- 18 City Council of the City of Bay St. Louis.

- 19 **SECTION 2.** The governing authorities of the City of Bay St.
- 20 Louis, Mississippi, are authorized, in their discretion, to
- 21 administer and expend federal grants funds, specifically, Fiscal
- 22 Year (FY) 2022 Flood Mitigation Assistance (FMA) SWIFT Current
- 23 funds, which have been awarded by FEMA to assist in flood
- 24 mitigation.
- 25 **SECTION 3.** The funds, as prescribed under this act, shall be
- 26 administered and expended by the city for the following projects
- 27 that are located within the city:
- 28 (a) FMA-PJ-04-MS-2022-007 Bay St. Louis SWIFT (3100
- 29 Roberson Rd.); and
- 30 (b) FMA-PJ-04-MS-2022-008 Bay St. Louis SWIFT (4035
- 31 Honshu St.).
- 32 **SECTION 4.** The funds expended by the city shall be utilized
- 33 solely for flood mitigation, which is in the public interest and
- 34 the promotion of the public safety, health and welfare of the
- 35 citizens of the city.
- 36 **SECTION 5.** This act shall take effect and be in force from
- 37 and after its passage.