

State of Louisiana



Parish of Grant In the Name and By the Authority of The Police Jury of Grant Parish

Motion by Mr. Don Arnold, and seconded by Mr. Brandon DuBois and carried to adopt the following Resolution:

RESOLUTION: 10-2023 TO JOIN THE ATTORNEY GENERAL OF LOUISIANA IN LITIGATION AGAINST FEMA TO CHALLENGE RISK RATING 2.0

WHEREAS, the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) “is updating the National Flood Insurance Program’s (NFIP) risk rating methodology through the implementation of a new pricing methodology,” titled “Risk Rating 2.0: Equity in Action”¹; and,

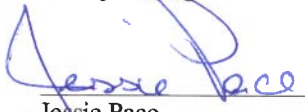
WHEREAS, FEMA states that Risk Rating 2.0’s “methodology leverages industry best practices and cutting-edge technology to enable FEMA to deliver rates that are actuarially sound, equitable, easier to understand and better reflect a property’s flood risk”²; and,

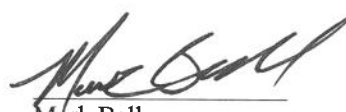
WHEREAS, the Association of Levee Boards of Louisiana, members of both the Louisiana legislature and the federal legislature, members of state government, numerous Parish Presidents and their Councils, and many other entities in Louisiana and around the nation have grave concerns about the soundness of Risk Rating 2.0’s underlying methodology, its failure to properly take into account any of the numerous improvements Louisiana’s Levee Boards have made to the flood protection systems, and its catastrophic effect on Louisiana’s flood insurance rates and the ability of Louisiana’s homeowners to purchase flood insurance; and,

WHEREAS, many of those entities have repeatedly raised their concerns to FEMA, have asked FEMA for documentation showing FEMA’s underlying methodology, and have been passed from one federal office to the next without receiving any meaningful answers to their questions or documents showing FEMA’s underlying methodology; and,

WHEREAS, FEMA has denied and continues to deny the efforts of those who are trying to protect their interests, the interests of their members, the interests of many Louisiana industries, and the interests of Louisiana citizens, making what is supposed to be “Equity in Action” an inequitable program across the entire State of Louisiana; and,

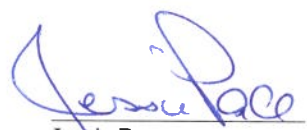
NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Grant Parish Police Jury joins the Attorney General of Louisiana in litigation against FEMA to challenge Risk Rating 2.0.


Jessie Pace
Secretary - Treasurer
Grant Parish Police Jury


Mark Ball
President
Grant Parish Police Jury

CERTIFICATE

I, Jessie Pace, Secretary/Treasurer of the Grant Parish Police Jury, do hereby certify that the above and foregoing constitutes a true and correct copy of a Resolution passed, approved, and adopted by the Grant Parish Police Jury on the 11th day of May, 2023.


Jessie Pace
Secretary – Treasurer
Grant Parish Police Jury

¹ <https://www.fema.gov/flood-insurance/risk-rating>.

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