

SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 194

BY SENATOR BISHOP

A RESOLUTION

To urge and request the New Orleans City Council and the New Orleans City Planning Commission to impose a ten-year moratorium on any and all types of additional dollar stores being located in New Orleans East and Gentilly.

WHEREAS, certain neighborhoods in the city of New Orleans, particularly New Orleans East and Gentilly, are being inundated with dollar stores that sell low quality food and those living there do not have easy access to healthy food options; and

WHEREAS, the proliferation of dollar stores in an area negatively affects the community's health and diminishes the possibility of quality, full-service grocery stores which offer a wider variety of products, including fresh produce and other healthy options, seeking to locate there; and

WHEREAS, access to more healthy food options with better and more varied retail choices leads to higher standards and quality of living; and

WHEREAS, the location of additional dollar stores may be in direct conflict with the city's master plan and other post-Katrina land use plans.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Senate of the Legislature of Louisiana does hereby urge and request the New Orleans City Council and the New Orleans City Planning Commission to impose a ten-year moratorium on any and all types of additional dollar stores being located in New Orleans East and Gentilly.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a copy of this Resolution be transmitted to the New Orleans City Council and the New Orleans City Planning Commission.

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PRESIDENT OF THE SENATE