

1 Department of Public Safety and Corrections and those persons supervised by the
2 department extremely difficult; and

3 WHEREAS, many times the law enforcement officials who visited emergency
4 shelters were unable to obtain a list of evacuees housed in those shelters to compare with the
5 state sex offender database to determine if the sex offenders were living in those shelters;
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7 WHEREAS, in 1992, the Louisiana Legislature enacted legislation to require
8 convicted sex offenders to register with local law enforcement officials, having determined
9 that the protection of the public from sex offenders is a paramount governmental interest;
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11 WHEREAS, the state of Florida has promulgated emergency plans to provide shelter
12 to supervised sex offenders; and

13 WHEREAS, the Florida Department of Corrections requires such offenders to
14 provide the department with the address of an alternate location should the need arise to
15 evacuate their primary residence, requires some offenders to report to a designated sex
16 offender shelter in some circumstances, and requires offenders to report to a state
17 correctional facility in other circumstances; and

18 WHEREAS, for the protection of the citizens of Louisiana, it is imperative that the
19 law enforcement community know the location of the convicted sex offenders who are
20 displaced in an emergency situation.

21 THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Legislature of Louisiana does hereby
22 direct the Department of Public Safety and Corrections to promulgate rules in accordance
23 with the Administrative Procedure Act to establish a plan to be implemented in times of
24 emergency or disaster with regard to convicted sex offenders who are on supervised
25 probation or parole.

26 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a suitable copy of this Resolution be transmitted
27 to the secretary of the Department of Public Safety and Corrections.

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