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The Honorable Cameron Henry
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RE: Senate Bill Number 477 of the 2024 Regular Session by Senator Sam Jenkins

Dear President Henry and Secretary Dixon:

Please be advised that I have vetoed Senate Bill 477 of the 2024 Regular Session. This bill establishes the Shreveport Waters Work Museum within the Department of Culture, Recreation, and Tourism. The Department of Culture, Recreation, and Tourism projects this museum will cost at least \$424,000 per year. This reoccurring expense is expected to increase annually, but no permanent funding source is identified. Instead, the legislation purports to require the Governor to include in the executive budget submitted to the legislature sufficient funding for the support of the museum.

The constitution grants the Governor authority over the executive budget's submission, and a statute that attempts to dictate specific inclusions in this budget infringes upon the authority of the executive branch. La. Const. art. II, §2 and La. Const. art. VII, § 11.

For these reasons, Senate Bill 477 will not become law.

Sincerely,

Jeff Landry
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Enclosure: Returned Senate Bill 477