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EXTRACT OF THE OFFICIAL PROCEEDINGS OF THE COUNCIL OF THE PARISH OF ST. BERNARD, STATE OF LOUISIANA, TAKEN AT A REGULAR MEETING HELD IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBERS OF THE ST. BERNARD PARISH GOVERNMENT COMPLEX, 8201 WEST JUDGE PEREZ DRIVE, CHALMETTE, LOUISIANA ON TUESDAY, APRIL 21, 2015 AT SEVEN O'CLOCK P.M.

On motion of Mr. Montelongo, seconded by Mr. Lewis, it was moved to **adopt** the following ordinance:

ORDINANCE SBPC #1632-04-15

Summary No. 3217

Introduced by: Councilman McInnis on 4/7/15
EFC recommended **APPROVAL** on 4/16/15
Public hearing held on 4/21/15

AN ORDINANCE TO REQUIRE HOSPICE PATIENTS TO SELECT A FUNERAL DIRECTOR AT THE APPROPRIATE TIME AND TO REQUIRE A REGISTERED NURSE TO SIGN A DECLARATION THAT THE PATIENT IS DECEASED UPON THE DEATH OF HOSPICE PATIENTS AND TO ARRANGE FOR THE TRANSPORT OF DECEASED HOSPICE PATIENTS.

WHEREAS, it is in the best interest of the health and welfare of the citizens of St. Bernard Parish that appropriate protocols be adopted that govern licensed hospices located in St. Bernard Parish.

ST. BERNARD PARISH COUNCIL DOES HEREBY ORDAIN:

SECTION 1. All hospices providing hospice services within St. Bernard Parish shall be licensed pursuant to La. R.S. 40:2183 and abide by the provisions contained herein.

SECTION 2. Hospices shall require all patients or their authorized representative, once death appears to be imminent, to select a funeral director as defined by La. R.S. 37:831(43) to provide funeral directing services as defined by La. R.S. 37:831(42) for the patient in the event of death of the patient. Nothing contained herein shall preclude a hospice from requiring the selection of a funeral director at an earlier time.



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SECTION 3. Upon the death of any patient under the care of a hospice, the hospice shall have a registered nurse prepare a declaration that the patient is deceased and notify the patient's funeral director to arrange for the transport of the deceased patient.

SECTION 4. Effective date. This ordinance shall become effective immediately upon authorizing signature by the parish president. In the event of a presidential veto, this ordinance shall become effective upon a two-thirds favorable vote of the total membership of the council pursuant to sections 2-11 and 2-13 of the St. Bernard Parish home rule charter.

SECTION 5. Severability. If any section, clause, paragraph, provision or portion of this ordinance shall be held invalid or unconstitutional by any court of competent jurisdiction, such holding shall not affect any other section, clause, paragraph, provision or portion of this ordinance. The St. Bernard Parish Council hereby expresses and declares that it would have adopted the remaining portion of this ordinance with the invalid portions omitted.

The above and foregoing having been submitted to a vote, the vote thereupon resulted as follows:

YEAS: Gorbaty, Lewis, Montelongo

NAYS: None

ABSENT: Lauga, Hunnicutt, McInnis

The Chairman, Mr. Cavignac, cast his vote as **YEA**.

And the motion was declared **adopted** on the 21st day of April, 2015.

