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City-Parish Attorney Pat Ottinger issued the following statement:

We are obviously elated by the unanimous decision of the Louisiana Supreme Court. The opinion fully embraces all of the arguments which we have advanced from day one. As we have stated before, the Court has found that most of the challenges to the bond ordinance were brought too late, but the Court went farther than that and held that those challenges, even if considered, were not valid. The Court held that the city's bond ordinance comports fully with applicable law.

This is truly a great victory for the citizens of Lafayette. I want to acknowledge our great legal team, including Mike Hebert, Gordon Polozola, Jim Baller and Jerry Osborne, as well as the associations which joined in support the City's arguments to the Supreme Court.