

RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, the *Association for Women Attorneys, New Orleans*, desires to publicly express its support for House Bill No. 953 and Senate Bill No. 609 of the Regular Session, 2012, of the Louisiana Legislature, and;

WHEREAS, the *Association for Women Attorneys, New Orleans*, understands that despite diligent, good faith efforts by Court En Banc of the Civil District Court for the Parish of Orleans, Criminal District Court for the Parish of Orleans and Orleans Parish Juvenile Court to implement the tenets of Act 621 of 2006 Regular Session of the Louisiana Legislature as proscribed, and further, while substantial progress has been achieved, it is the understanding of the *Association for Women Attorneys, New Orleans*, that the Court En Banc has received a fiscal note delineating the cost of completing implementation of Act 621 in an amount in excess of SEVEN MILLION AND NO/100 (\$7,000,000.00) DOLLARS; and

WHEREAS, the Court En Banc of the Civil District Court for the Parish of Orleans, Criminal District Court, and Juvenile Court have stated they do not have the financial capability to complete implementation of Act 621 of the 2006 Regular Session; then

BE IT RESOLVED,

The *Association for Women Attorneys, New Orleans*, does hereby express its support for the passage of House Bill No. 953 and Senate Bill No. 609 of the Regular Session, 2012. The *Association for Women Attorneys, New Orleans*, does further express the firm belief that passage of House Bill No. 953 and/or Senate Bill No. 609 at this time is the best course of action to maintain an effective judiciary in Orleans Parish.