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St. Tammany Corporation Recognized by Louisiana's Community & Technical College System in Fifth Annual Impact Awards Recognition Program

Organization is Presented with Woody Ogé Excellence in Advocacy Award for Strong Partnership with Higher Education Institution

LACOMBE, La – Dr. William Wainwright, Chancellor of Northshore Technical Community College (NTCC) is pleased to announce that St. Tammany Corporation has been recognized by Louisiana's Community & Technical College System (LCTCS) with the Woody Ogé Excellence in Advocacy Award for their partnership and coordinated workforce development efforts with NTCC. Chris Masingill, CEO of St. Tammany Corporation, and Ashley Llewellyn, St. Tammany Corporation's Director of Strategic Initiatives, accepted the award at the annual LCTCS Foundation Impact Awards Gala held in New Orleans.

The purpose of the LCTCS Foundation's Impact Awards Gala is to celebrate extraordinary leadership efforts which have been notably effective in advancing the education and workforce needs of students, businesses, and communities across Louisiana.

"Under the leadership of Chris Masingill, the team at St. Tammany Corporation are to be commended for their unyielding commitment to economic development and strengthening of our communities. Northshore Technical Community College and the Louisiana Community College System is honored to recognize Chris Masingill and St. Tammany Corporation for their mission critical role in advocating pathways to prosperity for our citizens through economic development," said Wainwright.

"We are grateful to NTCC, one of our closest local and regional partners in economic and workforce development, for highlighting our collaborative work to be recognized in this year's LCTCS Impact Awards," said Masingill. "I am proud of the impact that our partnership allows us to make in St. Tammany and across the region, from our Workforce Roundtable to Northshore Healthscape. Dr. Wainwright and his team understand how critical an educated and resilient workforce is to the cultivation of a growing and vibrant economy."

"This recognition program honors the leadership, advocacy, and engagement efforts necessary to ensuring Louisiana provides pathways to prosperity for its citizens and attracts business & industry because of its high-quality workforce," said Tarie Roberson, LCTCS Director of Advancement. "After cancelling the previous two years' Impact Awards due to the pandemic, coming together for the 2022 Gala gave us a unique opportunity to look back on the great work that has been done for higher education over the past three years."

"St. Tammany Corporation is honored to receive this award from LCTCS as NTCC plays a critical role in advancing economic development in our region through collaborative efforts in workforce development, education, and talent retention," said Llewellyn. "The dynamic team at NTCC is committed to educating lifelong learners, responding to the training needs of business and industry, and preparing individuals for careers in high-wage, high-demand fields."

NTCC works closely with St. Tammany Corporation on initiatives including the St. Tammany Partnership for Industry, Workforce, and Economic Development, a collaborative workforce development and talent retention initiative, as well as Northshore Healthscape, a collective regional effort to strategically position the healthcare industry as a key economic driver on the Northshore. NTCC is also a key partner in the Northshore Regional Resiliency Collaborative, an Economic Development Administration-funded competitive grant program led by St. Tammany Corporation that will provide technical assistance programming, facilitate business continuity workshops, implement a Northshore regional workforce development and talent retention strategy, and create business retention and formation opportunities in the five-parish Northshore region.



Photo: Dr. Monty Sullivan, President of LCTCS, Chris Masingill, CEO of St. Tammany Corporation, Ashley Llewellyn, Director of Strategic Initiatives for St. Tammany Corporation, and Dr. William Wainwright, Chancellor of Northshore Technical Community College

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Northshore Technical Community College (NTCC) is a comprehensive college with a rich history of providing workforce training and academic pathways to universities across the state of Louisiana. Beyond the traditional classroom and workforce training opportunities, NTCC provides opportunities for students seeking our Adult Education, ESL, and YouthBuild programs. NTCC is comprised of its Main Campus in

Lacombe, Hammond Area Campus, Florida Parishes Campus in Greensburg, Sullivan Campus in Bogalusa, and the Livingston Parish Campus in Walker. In 2015, NTCC was recognized by the Brookings Institute as the first in the nation for economic value of its graduates. The Chronicle of Higher Education named NTCC in 2019 as seventh fastest growing colleges from 2007-2017. NTCC was also awarded the Greater New Orleans Top Workplaces by The Times-Picayune and The New Orleans Advocate in 2018, 2019, 2020, 2021, and 2022. If you would like more information about the NTCC, check us out at www.northshorecolle.edu.

St. Tammany Corporation: As the lead economic development organization for St. Tammany, <u>St. Tammany Corporation</u> serves as the comprehensive resource center for business services throughout the parish. St. Tammany Corporation's services include business retention, site selection, workforce development, research and data services, state and local incentives, business attraction, talent retention, certified site development, relocation support, and marketing St. Tammany. Since the organization's launch in 2018, St. Tammany Corporation facilitated business expansion and attraction announcements representing over \$60 million in capital investment and 1,520 new and retained jobs in St. Tammany Parish.