RESOLUTION NO. <u>12-6</u>/2

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE CITY OF PORT ARTHUR SECTION 4A ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION TO NEGOTIATE A MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING FOR TERMS AND CONDITIONS TO LOCATE A POTENTIAL CALL CENTER PROJECT IN PORT ARTHUR

WHEREAS, the City Council deems it in the public interest to authorize the City of Port Arthur Section 4A Economic Development Corporation (the "PAEDC") to enter into negotiations for a Memorandum of Understanding with a potential call center client (the "Call Center") to locate in Port Arthur; and

WHEREAS, PAEDC has reviewed the Call Center request and a rough summary of the project parameters; and

WHEREAS, the Call Center operator is pursuing a contract with the Federal Government to provide call center services (inbound) related to new health care programs; and

WHEREAS, the proposed project location will be 365 Highway 365, Port Arthur, Texas 77640 with expected lease signing date of 1/15/2013 (the "Project Site"); and

WHEREAS, the staffing of the Call Center will be 500 Customer Service Representatives (CSR) and 44 Manager/Supervisors; and

WHEREAS, the CSR staff average salary will be \$27,830, plus \$7,500 annual benefits and the Supervisor/Manager average salary will be \$42,950, plus \$8,944 annual benefits.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF PORT ARTHUR, TEXAS:

Section 1. That the facts and opinions in the preamble are true and correct.

Section 2. That the PAEDC is herein authorized to negotiate a Memorandum of Understanding for terms and conditions for the Call Center proposing to locate in the City of Port Arthur at the Project Site.

Section 3. That a copy of the caption of this Resolution be spread upon the Minutes of the City Council.

READ, ADOPTED AND APPROVED on this day of all. A.D., 2012, at a Meeting of the City Council of the City of Port Arthur, Texas, by the following vote:

AYES:

Mayor Pro Jem Lewis,

Councilmembers Statt, Sigler Albrich

Lister Hilliamsen and Homas,

NOES: Lone.

Deloris "Bobbie" Prince, Mayor

ATTEST:

Sherri Bellard, Acting City Secretary

APPROVED:

Floyd Batiste, PAEDC CEO

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

Guy N. Goodson, PAEDC Attorney

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

Valecia R. Tizeno, City Attorney