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Mr. Jeff Taylor
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RE: City of Central

Dear Mr. Taylor:

A meeting was held in my Baton Rouge District Office this morning with representatives from my office, Senator David Vitter's Office, officials with the City of Central and US Postal Service to discuss the city of Central's request to designate "one" zip code for the City of Central.

As you may know, the City of Central was incorporated into a municipality in 2005 and they have become one of the fastest growing cities in the State of Louisiana. Presently, Central contains all or portions of five different zip codes within their city limits which include Baton Rouge, Baker, Pride, Greenwell Springs and Zachary; therefore, the City does not have a zip code unique to their municipality. Unfortunately, this has created problems for city with regard to city web searches, GIS, census data, property assessments, real estate searches and lastly, their receipt of the "fair" share of the tax revenues generated in this area.

To follow up and confirm the issues that were discussed and agreed upon at the meeting, USPS officials stated that the designation of zip codes is an issue that should be properly addressed by the District Manager. It was further asserted that this particular type of request should be submitted along with a feasibility study. Mr. Lary Darsman, Manager of 707 and 707 areas, agreed to conduct this study and provide you with the results for consideration. Also, USPS officials suggested that the City of Central conduct a residential approval survey of the entire Central community and the results of this survey would also be included for your consideration with this request.

It is important to note that City Officials of Central would like to try and accomplish this goal before the starting date of the US Census; therefore, they have set a target date of December 31, 2009 for completion and submission of both the feasibility study and residential survey for your consideration with this request.

I would appreciate if you give this request, along with the supporting documentation, careful consideration, and also I ask that you keep me apprised of any developments with regard to this request. If you have any questions, or if you need any additional information, please contact my District Director, Mr. Brian McNabb, in my Baton Rouge District Office at (225) 929-7711. With kind regards, I am

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Bill Cassidy".

Bill Cassidy
Member of Congress

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cc; Mr. Carl Karnish