# GRETNA ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT ASSN., LTD. (A NON-PROFIT ORGANIZATION)

# AUDITED FINANCIAL REPORT

December 31, 2020 and 2019

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### INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT

To the Board of Directors of Gretna Economic Development Assn., Ltd. Gretna, Louisiana

We have audited the accompanying financial statements of Gretna Economic Development Assn., Ltd. (a nonprofit organization), which comprise the statements of financial position as of December 31, 2020 and 2019, and the related statements of activities, functional expenses, and cash flows for the years then ended, and the related notes to the financial statements.

#### Management's Responsibility for the Financial Statements

Management is responsible for the preparation and fair presentation of these financial statements in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America; this includes the design, implementation, and maintenance of internal control relevant to the preparation and fair presentation of financial statements that are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.

#### Auditor's Responsibility

Our responsibility is to express an opinion on these financial statements based on our audit. We conducted our audit in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America. Those standards require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements are free from material misstatement.

An audit involves performing procedures to obtain audit evidence about the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements. The procedures selected depend on the auditor's judgment, including the assessment of the risks of material misstatement of the financial statements, whether due to fraud or error. In making those risk assessments, the auditor considers internal control relevant to the entity's preparation and fair presentation of the financial statements in order to design audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the entity's internal control. Accordingly, we express no such opinion. An audit also includes evaluating the appropriateness of accounting policies used and the reasonableness of significant accounting estimates made by management, as well as evaluating the overall presentation of the financial statements.

We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our audit opinion.

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#### Opinion

In our opinion, the financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of Gretna Economic Development Assn., Ltd. as of December 31, 2020 and 2019, and the changes in its net assets and its cash flows for the years then ended in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

### **Report on Supplemental Information**

Our audit was conducted for the purpose of forming an opinion on the financial statements as a whole. The accompanying supplemental schedule of compensation, benefits, and other payments to agency head or chief executive officer as listed in the table of contents is presented for the purpose of additional analysis and is not a required part of the financial statements. Such information is the responsibility of management and was derived from, and relates directly to, the underlying accounting and other records used to prepare the financial statements. The information has been subjected to the auditing procedures applied in the audit of the financial statements and certain additional procedures, including comparing and reconciling such information directly to the underlying accounting and other records used to prepare the financial statements, or to the financial statements themselves, and other additional procedures in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America. In our opinion, the information is fairly stated, in all material respects, in relation to the financial statements as a whole.

### Other Reporting Required by Government Auditing Standards

In accordance with *Government Auditing Standards*, we have also issued our report dated June 23, 2021 on our consideration of Gretna Economic Development Assn., Ltd.'s internal control over financial reporting and on our tests of its compliance with certain provisions of laws, regulations, contracts, grant agreements, and other matters. The purpose of that report is solely to describe the scope of our testing of internal control over financial reporting and compliance and the results of that testing, and not to provide an opinion on the effectiveness of Gretna Economic Development Assn., Ltd.'s internal control over financial reporting or on compliance. That report is an integral part of an audit performed in accordance with *Government Auditing Standards* in considering Gretna Economic Development Assn., Ltd.'s internal control over financial reporting and compliance.

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Harvey, Louisiana June 23, 2021

## GRETNA ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT ASSN., LTD. (A NON-PROFIT ORGANIZATION) STATEMENTS OF FINANCIAL POSITION DECEMBER 31, 2020 and 2019

### ASSETS

	_2020_	2019
Current Assets		
Cash	\$237,515	\$180,926
Accounts Receivable	7,025	5,900
Prepaid Taxes	1,200	
Total Current Assets	245,740	186,826
Property and Equipment		
Furniture and Fixtures	1,101	1,101
Equipment	12,696	12,696
	13,797	13,797
Less: Accumulated Depreciation	_(13,704)	(13,434)
Net Property and Equipment	93	363
TOTAL ASSETS	<u>\$245,833</u>	<u>\$187,189</u>

The accompanying notes are an integral part of these financial statements.

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## GRETNA ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT ASSN., LTD. (A NON-PROFIT ORGANIZATION) STATEMENTS OF FINANCIAL POSITION - CONTINUED DECEMBER 31, 2020 and 2019

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LIABILITIES AND NET ASSETS	_2020_	2019
Current Liabilities	<b>•</b> 44.540	¢ 000 70 (
Accounts Payable	\$ 44,748	\$ 290,736
Credit Card Payable	395	-0-
Payroll Taxes Payable	1,018	7,867
PPP Loan	28,400	-0-
Line of Credit	236,873	236,873
Total Current Liabilities	311,434	535,476
Net Assets		
Without Donor Restrictions	(65,601)	(348,287)
Total Net Assets	(65,601)	(348,287)

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TOTAL LIABILITIES AND NET ASSETS

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\$ 245,833

## GRETNA ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT ASSN., LTD. (A NON-PROFIT ORGANIZATION) STATEMENTS OF ACTIVITIES YEARS ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2020 and 2019

## CHANGES IN NET ASSETS WITHOUT DONOR RESTRICTIONS

Revenue, Gains, and Other Support Festival Grant Income Dues Lundi Gras Farmer's Market Art Walk Special Projects Bingo – GBP Interest & Dividends Donations, etc. Miscellaneous TOTAL REVENUE, GAINS, AND OTHER SUPPORT	$\begin{array}{r} \underline{2020} \\ \$ & 6,500 \\ 240,000 \\ 12,300 \\ 2,758 \\ 30,261 \\ 2,840 \\ 33,020 \\ 982,417 \\ 2,199 \\ 12,227 \\ \underline{-0-} \\ 1,324,522 \end{array}$	$\begin{array}{r} \underline{2019} \\ \$ 1,049,062 \\ 935,000 \\ 14,400 \\ -0- \\ 26,758 \\ 10,579 \\ 34,881 \\ 1,300,544 \\ 6,270 \\ 1,845 \\ \underline{382} \\ \underline{3,379,721} \end{array}$
Expenses Program Services Administrative Services TOTAL EXPENSES	852,485 189,351 1,041,836	3,090,814 282,999 3,373,813
INCREASE(DECREASE) IN NET ASSETS WITHOUT DONOR RESTRICTIONS	282,686	5,908
Net Assets Without Donor Restrictions, Beginning of Year	(348,287)	(354,195)
Net Assets Without Donor Restrictions, End of Year	\$(65,601)	\$_(348,287)

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## GRETNA ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT ASSN., LTD. (A NON-PROFIT ORGANIZATION) STATEMENTS OF FUNCTIONAL EXPENSES YEARS ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2020 and 2019

December 31, 2020				D	ece	mber 31, 2019	9			
		Program	Adr	ninistrative			Program	Ac	Iministrative	
		Services		Services		Total	Services	_	Services	Total
Festival	\$	5,765	\$	-0-	\$	5,765	\$1,912,084	\$	-0-	\$1,912,084
Bingo		809,429		-0-		809,429	1,145,543		-0-	1,145,543
Farmers										
Market		18,981		-0-		18,981	12,810		-0-	12,810
Art Walk		3,969		-0-		3,969	11,506		-0-	11,506
Donations		-0-		-0-		-0-	500		-0-	500
Special										
Projects		14,341		-0-		14,341	8,371		-0-	8,371
Salaries &				*						
Wages		-0-		113,650		113,650	-0-		136,323	136,323
Payroll Tax	es	-0-		8,961		8,961	-0-		10,680	10,680
Advertising		-0-		2,929		2,929	-0-		4,239	4,239
Accounting	&									
Tax Prep		-0-		15,560		15,560	-0-		13,290	13,290
Bank & Cre	dit									
Card Fees		-0-		2,389		2,389	-0-		7,281	7,281
Insurance		-0-		9,861		9,861	-0-		58,738	58,738
Interest		-0-		16,422		16,422	-0-		20,193	20,193
Office Supp	lies	s -0-		2,903		2,903	-0-		4,752	4,752
Donations		-0-		10,700		10,700	-0-		14,757	14,757
Telephone		-0-		2,177		2,177	-0-		2,094	2,094
Utilities		-0-		1,390		1,390	-0-		1,130	1,130
Other		-0-		899		899	-0-		3,088	3,088
Depreciation	n	-0-		270		270	-0-		355	355
Other Taxes		-0-		1,240	-	1,240		_	6,079	6,079
Total										
Expenses	\$	852,485	<u>\$</u>	189,351	\$1	,041,836	<u>\$3,090,814</u>	\$	282,999	<u>\$3,373,813</u>
Projects Salaries & Wages Payroll Taxe Advertising Accounting Tax Prep Bank & Cre Card Fees Insurance Interest Office Supp Donations Telephone Utilities Other Depreciation Other Taxes Total	& dit lies	-0- -0- -0- -0- -0- -0- -0- -0- -0- -0-	<u></u>	113,650 8,961 2,929 15,560 2,389 9,861 16,422 2,903 10,700 2,177 1,390 899 270 1,240	<u>\$1</u>	113,6508,9612,92915,5602,3899,86116,4222,90310,7002,1771,3908992701,240	-0- -0- -0- -0- -0- -0- -0- -0- -0- -0-	<u>\$</u>	$136,323 \\ 10,680 \\ 4,239 \\ 13,290 \\ 7,281 \\ 58,738 \\ 20,193 \\ 4,752 \\ 14,757 \\ 2,094 \\ 1,130 \\ 3,088 \\ 355 \\ 6,079 \\ 1,000 \\$	$136,323 \\ 10,680 \\ 4,239 \\ 13,290 \\ 7,281 \\ 58,738 \\ 20,193 \\ 4,752 \\ 14,757 \\ 2,094 \\ 1,130 \\ 3,088 \\ 355 \\ 6,079 \\ 10,000 \\ 1$

The accompanying notes are an integral part of these financial statements.

# GRETNA ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT ASSN., LTD. (A NON-PROFIT ORGANIZATION) STATEMENTS OF CASH FLOWS YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2020 and 2019

## CASH FLOWS FROM OPERATING ACTIVITIES

CASH FLOWS FROM OF ERATING ACTIVITIES	2020	2019
Increase (Decrease) in Net Assets Adjustments to Reconcile Increase (Decrease) in Net Assets	\$ 282,686	\$ 5,908
to Net Cash Provided (Used) by Operating Activities: Depreciation (Increase) Decrease in Current Assets:	270	355
Accounts Receivable Prepaid Taxes	(1,125) (1,200)	(3,476) 5,700
Increase (Decrease) in Current Liabilities:	(245.098)	52 207
Accounts Payable Credit Card Payable	(245,988) 395	52,397 -0-
Payroll Taxes Payable	(6,849)	4,075
Net Cash Provided (Used) by Operating Activities	28,189	64,959
CASH FLOWS FROM INVESTING ACTIVITIES		
Purchases of Furniture & Equipment		
Net Cash Provided (Used) by Investing Activities		
CASH FLOWS FROM FINANCING ACTIVITIES		
Line of Credit Borrowing	-0-	-0-
PPP Loan Borrowing	28,400	-0-
Line of Credit Payments	-0-	
Net Cash Provided (Used) by Financing Activities	28,400	
Net Increase (Decrease) in Cash and Cash Equivalents	56,589	64,959
Cash and Cash Equivalents, Beginning of Year	180,926	115,967
Cash and Cash Equivalents, End of Year	\$ <u>237,515</u>	\$ <u>180,926</u>

The accompanying notes are an integral part of these financial statements.

### GRETNA ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT ASSN., LTD. (A NON-PROFIT ORGANIZATION) NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS YEARS ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2020 and 2019

## 1. SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

A. The financial statements of Gretna Economic Development Assn., Ltd. have been prepared on the accrual basis; therefore, certain revenues and the related assets are recognized when earned rather than when received, and certain expenses are recognized when the obligation is incurred rather than when paid. These policies have been consistently applied in the preparation of the financial statements. The Organization has no capital stock.

#### B. Business Activity

Gretna Economic Development Assn., Ltd. was established in 1992 as a nonprofit 501(c)(3)Organization for the purpose of improving the business climate within the City of Gretna, providing a vehicle to assist in the development of new businesses, promoting and encouraging tourism, increasing the number of residents, and enhancing the knowledge of local residents and potential tourists of the City of Gretna. The Organization was also established to assist the underprivileged, to lessen the burdens of government, and to combat community deterioration.

### C. Cash and Cash Equivalents

The Organization considers all highly liquid investments with a maturity of three months or less to be cash equivalents.

#### D. Liquidity and Availability

The Organization has \$237,515 of cash in bank available within one year of the date of the statement of financial position to meet cash needs for general expenditures. Cash in bank is not subject to donor or other contractual restrictions that make it unavailable for general expenditures within one year of the date of the statement of financial position. As the Organization has no investments, it's liquidity and availability are limited to the excess of its bank balances over its obligations. Gretna Economic Development Assn., Ltd. has a policy to structure its financial assets to be available as its general expenditures, liabilities, and other obligations come due. Gretna Economic Development Assn., Ltd. has no financial assets with donor restrictions.

#### E. Restricted Deposits

The Organization does not have any deposits that are restricted in use and that are not available for operating purposes at December 31, 2020 and 2019.

#### F. Accounts Receivable

The Organization, in regards to uncollectible accounts, utilizes the direct write off method. Therefore, no allowance for doubtful accounts is utilized. Management believes this to be the most effective method for purposes of recording uncollectible accounts. There were no bad debts recorded for the year ended December 31, 2020.

## GRETNA ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT ASSN., LTD. (A NON-PROFIT ORGANIZATION) NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS - continued YEARS ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2020 and 2019

#### G. Property and Equipment

Property and equipment are depreciated using the straight-line method over lives varying from 5 years to 10 years for equipment and 40 years for property and related improvements. Acquisitions of property and equipment in excess of \$200 and having a useful life of over one year are capitalized. Donations of property and equipment are recorded as support at their estimated fair value. Such donations are reported as unrestricted support unless the donor has restricted the donated asset to a specific purpose. Assets donated with explicit restriction regarding their use and contributions of cash that must be used to acquire property and equipment are reported as restricted support. Absent donor stipulations regarding how long those donated assets must be maintained, the Organization reports expiration of donor restrictions when the donated or acquired assets are placed in service as structured by the donor. The Organization reclassifies temporarily restricted net assets to unrestricted net assets at that time.

#### H. <u>Contributions</u>

Donor-restricted support whose restrictions are met in the same reporting period as the support recognized is reported as net assets without donor restrictions.

#### I. Financial Statement Presentation

The financial statements have been prepared in conformity with Statement of Financial Accounting Standards (SFAS) No. 117, "Financial Statements of Not-For-Profit Organizations" and Financial Accounting Standards Board Update to Topic 958 (ASU 2016-14), "Presentation of Financial Statements for Not-for-Profit Entities". Under SFAS No. 117 and Update to Topic 958 (ASU 2016-14), the Organization is required to report information regarding its financial position and activities according to two classes of net assets: net assets with donor restrictions and net assets without donor restrictions. In addition, the Organization is required to present a statement of cash flows.

#### J. <u>Use of Estimates</u>

The preparation of financial statements in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America requires management to make estimates and assumptions that affect the reported amounts of assets and liabilities and disclosure of contingent assets and liabilities at the date of the financial statements, and the reported amounts of revenues and expenses during the reported period. Actual results could differ from those statements.

#### 2. <u>LEASES</u>

The Organization leases a facility for purposes of bingo sessions at a rate determined by the number of sessions. There is no formal written lease agreement.

#### 3. <u>CONTRIBUTED SERVICES</u>

A number of unpaid volunteers have made contributions of their time to the Organization during the year. The value of this contributed time is not reflected in these statements since it is not material and is not susceptible to objective measurement or valuation.

## GRETNA ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT ASSN., LTD. (A NON-PROFIT ORGANIZATION) NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS - continued YEARS ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2020 and 2019

## 4. ACCOUNTS RECEIVABLE

Accounts receivable consist of the following:

	2020	2019		
Dues	\$ 2,075	\$ 950		
Other	4,950	4,950		
	\$ 7,025	<u>\$ 5,900</u>		

#### 5. PROPERTY AND EQUIPMENT

Property and equipment, and depreciation activity for the year ended December 31, 2020 are as follows:

	Balance			Balance
	1-1-20	Additions	Deletions	<u>12-31-20</u>
Furniture & Fixtures	\$ 1,101	\$ -0-	\$ -0-	\$ 1,101
Equipment	12,696		-0-	12,696
	13,797	-0-	-0-	13,797
Less: Accumulated Depreciat	tion (13,434)	(270)	-0-	<u>(13,704</u> )
Net Property & Equipment	\$ <u>363</u>	\$ <u>(270)</u>	\$	\$ <u>93</u>

## 6. <u>LINE OF CREDIT</u>

The Organization had a line of credit that matured on of August 26, 2020 and bearing an interest rate of 8.00%. The line of credit was renewed with a maturity date of August 26, 2021 and bearing an interest rate of 6.25%. The balance on the line of credit at December 31, 2020 was \$236,873.

#### 7. <u>GRANT INCOME</u>

Grant income for the year ended December 31, 2020 was comprised of the following:

City of Gretna	\$_	240,000
-	\$	240,000

## 8. <u>ON-BEHALF PAYMENTS</u>

The City of Gretna provides the Organization with office space at no charge other than a fee of \$1 per year.

9. <u>ECONOMIC DEPENDENCY</u> The Organization depends on the City of Gretna and Jefferson Parish for a major portion of its support.

#### GRETNA ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT ASSN., LTD. (A NON-PROFIT ORGANIZATION) NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS - continued YEARS ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2020 and 2019

#### 10. INCOME TAXES

The Organization is a non-profit organization that is exempt from income taxes under Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code. However, an information tax return, Form 990 for tax exempt organizations, is required to be filed each year. Corporate income tax is, however, required to be paid on the Form 990T filed annually by the Organization as a result of bingo pull tab profits. The Organization does not have any uncertain tax positions. With few exceptions, the Organization is no longer subject to U. S. federal examinations by tax authorities for the years before 2017.

#### 11 NET ASSETS WITH DONOR RESTRICTIONS

The Organization does not have any net assets with donor restrictions on the use of the assets at December 31, 2020 and 2019.

- 12. <u>TEMPORARILY RESTRICTED NET ASSETS</u> There were no temporarily restricted net assets held by the Organization as of December 31, 2020.
- 13. <u>THREATENED AND PENDING LITIGATION</u> Gretna Economic Development Assn., Ltd. is not involved in any litigation, and is not aware of any claims outstanding of a material nature that are not recorded in the financial statements.
- 14. CONCENTRATIONS OF CREDIT RISK

Financial instruments that potentially subject the Organization to concentrations of credit risk consist principally of temporary cash investments and trade accounts receivables. The Organization maintains checking accounts at various financial institutions covered by FDIC insurance. There were no bank accounts at December 31, 2020 with balances that exceeded FDIC limitations of \$250,000.

- 15. <u>COMPENSATED ABSENCES</u> Because the employees of Gretna Economic Development Assn., Ltd. are currently not reimbursed for unused vacation and sick leave, no provision for compensated absences has been recorded in these financial statements.
- <u>POST-EMPLOYMENT BENEFITS</u> At present, there are no former employees of Gretna Economic Development Assn., Ltd. who are receiving post-employment benefits, and any liability due to the Organization's benefit structure is considered to be immaterial.
- 17. <u>FUNCTIONAL BASIS PRESENTATION</u> Expenditures incurred in connection with administrative services and program services have been summarized on a functional basis in the statement of functional expenses according to Financial Accounting Standards Board Update to Topic 958 (ASU 2016-14), "*Presentation of Financial Statements of Not-for-Profit Entities*".
- 18. <u>SUBSEQUENT EVENTS</u>

Management evaluates events occurring subsequent to the date of the financial statements to determine the accounting for and disclosure of transactions and events that effect the financial statements. Subsequent events have been evaluated through June 23, 2021 which is the date the financial statements were available to be issued.

# **OTHER SUPPLEMENTAL INFORMATION**

## GRETNA ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT ASSN., LTD. (A NON-PROFIT ORGANIZATION) SCHEDULE OF COMPENSATION, BENEFITS, AND OTHER PAYMENTS TO AGENCY HEAD OR CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2020

# Agency Head Name: Joni P. Bathel

<b>Purpose:</b>		Amount
	Salary	\$ -0-
	Benefits – insurance	-0-
	Benefits – retirement	-0-
	Benefits – other	-0-
	Car Allowance	-0-
	Vehicle provided by Organization	-0-
	Per diem	-0-
	Reimbursements	-0-
	Travel	-0-
	Registration fees	-0-
	Conference travel	-0-
	Continuing professional education fees	-0-
	Housing	-0-
	Unvouchered expenses	-0-
	Meals	-0-
		\$

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#### INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT ON INTERNAL CONTROL OVER FINANCIAL REPORTING AND ON COMPLIANCE AND OTHER MATTERS BASED ON AN AUDIT OF FINANCIAL STATEMENTS PERFORMED IN ACCORDANCE WITH GOVERNMENT AUDITING STANDARDS

To the Board of Directors of Gretna Economic Development Assn., Ltd. Gretna, Louisiana

We have audited, in accordance with the auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America and the standards applicable to financial audits contained in *Government Auditing Standards* issued by the Comptroller General of the United States, the financial statements of Gretna Economic Development Assn., Ltd. (a non-profit organization), which comprise the statements of financial position as December 31, 2020 and 2019, and the related statements of activities, functional expenses, and cash flows for the years then ended, and the related notes to the financial statements, and have issued our report thereon dated June 23, 2021.

#### **Internal Control Over Financial Reporting**

In planning and performing our audit of the financial statements, we considered Gretna Economic Development Assn., Ltd.'s internal control over financial reporting to determine the audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances for the purpose of expressing our opinion on the financial statements, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of Gretna Economic Development Assn., Ltd.'s internal control. Accordingly, we do not express an opinion on the effectiveness of Gretna Economic Development Assn., Ltd.'s internal control. Ltd.'s internal control.

A deficiency in internal control exists when the design or operation of a control does not allow Management or employees, in the normal course of performing their assigned functions, to prevent, or detect and correct, misstatements on a timely basis. A material weakness is a deficiency, or a combination of deficiencies, in internal control such that there is a reasonable possibility that a material misstatement of the entity's financial statements that is more than inconsequential will not be prevented, or detected and corrected, on a timely basis. A significant deficiency is a deficiency, or a combination of deficiencies, in internal control that is less severe than a material weakness, yet important enough to merit attention by those charged with governance.

Our consideration of internal control over financial reporting was for the limited purpose described in the first paragraph of this section and was not designed to identify all deficiencies in internal control that might be material weaknesses or significant deficiencies. During our audit, we identified a deficiency in internal control that we consider to be a material weakness which is disclosed in the accompanying schedules of current and prior year audit findings and responses. However, additional material weaknesses may exist that have not been identified.

#### **Compliance and Other Matters**

As part of obtaining reasonable assurance about whether Gretna Economic Development Assn., Ltd.'s financial statements are free of material misstatement, we performed tests of its compliance with certain provisions of laws, regulations, contracts, and grant agreements, noncompliance with which could have a direct and material effect on the determination of financial statement amounts. However, providing an opinion on compliance with those provisions was not an objective of our audit, and accordingly, we do not express such an opinion. The result of our tests disclosed no instances of noncompliance or other matters that are required to be reported under *Government Auditing Standards*.

#### **Response to Findings**

Gretna Economic Development Assn., Ltd's response to the findings identified in our audit is described in the accompanying schedules of current and prior year audit findings and responses. Gretna Economic Development Assn., Ltd's response was not subjected to the auditing procedures applied in the audit of the financial statements and, accordingly, we express no opinion on it.

#### **Purpose of this Report**

The purpose of this report is solely to describe the scope of our testing of internal control and compliance and the results of that testing, and not to provide an opinion on the effectiveness of the Organization's internal control or on compliance. This report is an integral part of an audit performed in accordance with *Government Auditing Standards* in considering the Organization's internal control and compliance.

This report is intended solely for the information and use of Management, the Board of Directors, and the Louisiana Legislative Auditor and is not intended to be and should not be used by anyone other than these specified parties. Under Louisiana revised Statute 25.513, this report is distributed by the Legislative Auditor as a public document.

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Harvey Louisiana June 23, 2021

### GRETNA ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT ASSN., LTD. (A NON-PROFIT ORGANIZATION) SCHEDULES OF FINDINGS YEARS ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2020 and 2019

### A. SUMMARY OF AUDIT RESULTS

- 1. The auditor's report expresses an unmodified opinion on the basic financial statements of Gretna Economic Development Assn., Ltd.
- 2. A material weakness relating to the audit of the financial statements is reported in the Independent Auditor's Report on Internal Control over Financial Reporting and on Compliance and Other Matters Based on an Audit of Financial Statements Performed in Accordance with Government Auditing Standards. The material weakness results from a lack of adequate segregation of duties within the accounting department of Gretna Economic Development Assn., Ltd. Per Management, the cost-benefit and limited number of personnel in the accounting department do not allow for adequate segregation of duties. However, it is our recommendation that the Board of Directors should closely monitor the day-to-day activities of the Organization. The Management of Gretna Economic Development Assn., Ltd.
- 3. No instances of noncompliance material to the financial statements of Gretna Economic Development Assn., Ltd. are disclosed in Part B of this schedule.

#### B. FINDING – FINANCIAL STATEMENTS AUDIT

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# GRETNA ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT ASSN., LTD. (A NON-PROFIT ORGANIZATION) Gretna, Louisiana

## Schedules of Current and Prior Year Audit Findings and Responses Years Ended December 31, 2020 and 2019

<u>Ref No.</u>	Fiscal Year Findings Initially Occurred	Description of Findings	Corrective Action Taken	Corrective Action Planned	Name of <u>Contact Person</u>	Anticipated Completion Date
Internal Cont	<u>rol:</u>					
20-01	Unknown	Gretna Economic Development Assn., Ltd. does not have adequate segregation of duties within the Organization's accountin functions.	N/A g	Because of the cost- benefit, and limited number personnel performing the Organization's accounting functions, it is not possible to achieve adequate segregation of duties. However, it is our recommendation that the Boar of Directors should closely mo the day-to-day activities of the Organization. The Manageme Gretna Economic Developmen Assn., Ltd. concurs with this fit	rd nitor nt of nt	N/A
PRIOR YEAR (	12/31/19)			(a) subsets (i) I is reserved. Losses production of invariant is in the production of invariant in the production of		
Internal Contr	<u>ol:</u>					
19-01	Unknown	Gretna Economic Development Assn., Ltd. does not have adequate segregation of duties within the Organization's accounting functions.	N/A	Same as above.	Joni P. Bathel President	N/A

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