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**ANNUAL SWORN FINANCIAL STATEMENTS AND
CERTIFICATION OF REVENUES \$50,000 OR LESS (if applicable)**

The annual sworn financial statements are required by Louisiana Revised Statute 24:514 to be filed with the Legislative Auditor within 90 days after the close of the fiscal year. The certification of revenues \$50,000 or less, if applicable, is required by Louisiana Revised Statute 24:513(l)(l)(c)(i).

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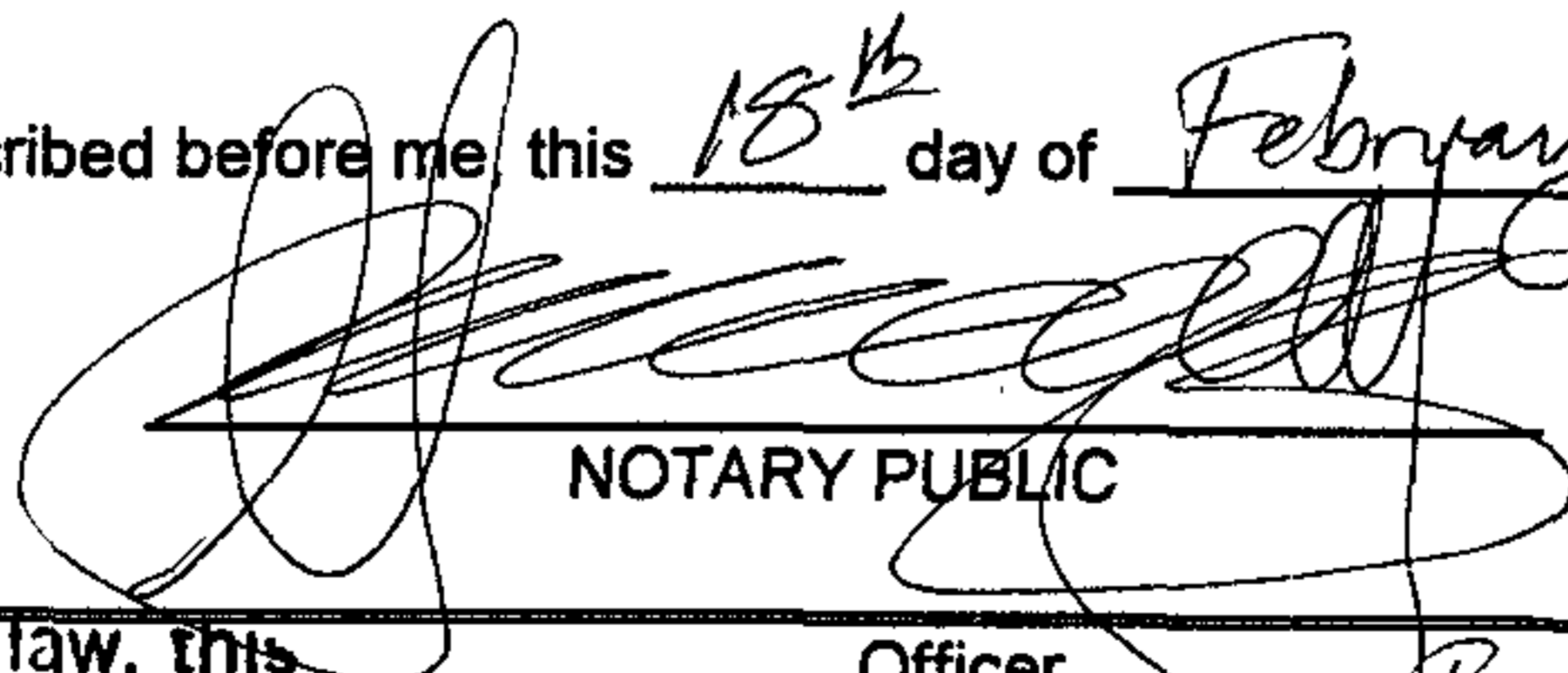
Personally came and appeared before the undersigned authority, Paul Amato (name), who, duly sworn, deposes and says that the financial statements herewith given present fairly the financial position of the Butcher Fire Dept (Political Subdivision/Quasi-Public Entity) as of Dec-31, 1997, and the results of operations for the year then ended, in accordance with the basis of accounting described within the accompanying financial statements.

(Complete if applicable)

In addition, Paul J. Amato (name), who, duly sworn, deposes and says that the Butcher Fire Dept (Political Subdivision/Quasi-Public Entity) received \$50,000 or less in revenues and other sources for the fiscal year ending Dec-31, 1997 and, accordingly, is not required to have an audit for the previously mentioned fiscal year-end.

Paul J. Amato "Chief"
Signature

Sworn to and subscribed before me this 18th day of February, 1998.


NOTARY PUBLIC

Under provisions of state law, this report is a public document. A copy of the report has been submitted to the audited, or reviewed, entity and other appropriate public officials. The report is available for public inspection at the Baton Rouge office of the Legislative Auditor and, where appropriate, at the office of the parish clerk of court

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**LUTCHER VOLUNTEER FIRE DEPARTMENT
1997 FINANCIAL STATEMENT**

ASSETS	Jan 1, 1997	
CHECKING ACCOUNT		864.99
SAVINGS ACCOUNT		12,157.04
SAVINGS ACCOUNT INTEREST		247.47
CERTIFICATE OF DEPOSIT		25,435.21
CERTIFICATE OF DEPOSIT INTEREST		1,138.31
LA. INSURANCE RESERVE THRU PARISH		8,015.05
FERRARA FIRE EQUIP. REIMBURSEMENT		264.20
REFUND OF OVERPAYMENT OF TAXES FROM 1992 FIRE TRUCK		3,466.58
SALE OF 1957 FORD FIRE TRUCK		1,100.65
ENTRANCE REFUND		16.22
WV. REIMBURSEMENT FOR FIRE EXTIN. REFILL		106.00
	TOTAL	52,812.62

EXPENSES		
UTILITIES		2,509.35
FUEL FOR EQUIPMENT		317.89
EQUIPMENT MAINTENANCE		5,217.54
BUILDING MAINTENANCE		958.22
BUILDING SUPPLIES		653.39
OFFICE SUPPLIES		245.57
POSTAGE		27.20
LA. ENGINE PREPAREDNESS ASSOC. DUES		50.00
RADIO REPAIRS		20.00
ANNUAL CHRISTMAS DINNER		642.89
MISC. EXPENSES FOR CHRISTMAS PARADE		271.03
FIREMEN MEETING SUPPERS		483.45
PETTY CASH		12.60
1997 FIRE TRUCK DEDICATION		373.62
FLOWERS FOR DECEASED FIREMAN		53.50
1957 FIRE TRUCK SALE PROCEEDS TO TOWN OF LUTCHER		1,100.65
WV. FIRE EXTINGUISHER REFILLS		106.00
MEALS / MILEAGE TO FERRARA FIRE EQUIP. FOR 1997 GMC TRUCK		264.20
FIRE DEPT. BUSINESS MEALS / MILEAGE EXPENSES		122.19
	TOTAL EXPENSE	13,429.29
	BALANCE	39,383.33

ASSETS	Dec 31, 1997	
CHECKING ACCOUNT		1,405.30
SAVINGS ACCOUNT		11,404.51
CERTIFICATE OF DEPOSIT		26,573.52
	TOTAL	39,383.33

B. Amata ("chief")