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ACTING MAYOR

# **CITY OF KENNER**

## **PRESS RELEASE**

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### **WEBSITE RANKS KENNER NO. 2 SAFEST CITY IN STATE**

**Kenner, LA.** – Kenner has been ranked No. 2 on a list of the safest cities in Louisiana by the website BackgroundChecks.org.

The list was based on FBI violent crime stats and proprietary research data, according to BackgroundChecks.org.

Kenner had a violent crime rate of 239.2 per 100,000 residents – the average for the state was 515 – and residents of the city have a 3.8 percent chance of being involved in a property crime, according to the website.

Kenner trailed only Baker on the top 10 list and beat out other cities in the metropolitan New Orleans area, including Mandeville at No. 3 and Slidell at No. 7.

“This is a testament to the hard work of our Police Department, led by Chief Michael Glaser,” Acting Mayor Michael Sigur said. “It is also a reminder of the type of work the department can do as long as we keep it properly funded.”

Glaser said he was honored to learn about the ranking. He praised the dedication and determination of the members of the department.

“This is certainly no surprise to me,” Glaser said. “I am very proud of everyone in the department and this ranking is well-deserved.”

The Police Department has been ranked highly in other surveys focusing on violent crime in the state. In 2013, the website Movoto.com ranked Kenner the No. 2 safest place to live in Louisiana. Kenner topped the rankings for safest places in Louisiana – among cities with at least 20,000 residents - based on a survey in 2015 by the website ValuePenguin.com. And earlier this year, the website OnlyInYourState.com ranked Kenner as the No. 11 safest communities in the state – and the only city among the top 11 with a population above 14,000 residents.

“It’s no accident that we continue to do very well in these crime evaluations,” Glaser said. “However, I can assure residents that we will continue to work hard to ensure Kenner does just as well in future rankings.”

For the full list of safest cities, go to <http://backgroundchecks.org/10-safest-cities-in-louisiana-2016.html>.

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