LBRC Report Form

1. English and Scientific names: Great Black-backeds Gull Larus marinus 2. Number of individuals, sexes, ages, general plumage (e.g., 2 in alternate plumage): 1 first year winter? 3. Parish: Cameron 4. Specific Locality: on beach 2 miles west of recreation center 5. Date(s) when observed: 6-26-2024 6. Time(s) of day when observed: 11 am 7. Reporting observer: Melvin Weber 8. Other observers accompanying reporter who also identified the bird(s): 9. Other observers who independently identified the bird(s): 10. Light conditions (position of bird in relation to shade and to direction and amount of light): good 11. Optical equipment (type, power, condition): 10X binoculars 12. Distance to bird(s): 100 ft 13. Duration of observation: 20 minutes 14. Habitat: open beach 15. Behavior of bird / circumstances of observation (flying, feeding, resting; include and stress habits used in identification; relate events surrounding observation): bord on

shore with other gulls and stuff

16. Description (include only what was actually seen, not what "should" have been seen; include if possible: total length/relative size compared to other familiar species, body bulk, shape, proportions, bill, eye, leg, and plumage characteristics. Stress features that separate it from similar species):

large gull, imm plumage, similar to Herring but lareger, more massive bill and body, did see light rump and tailk when flushed but not well.

- 17. Voice:
- 18. Similar species (include how they were eliminated by your observation): Herring--see photo of both together
- 19. Photographs or tape recordings obtained? (by whom? attached?): yes
- 20. Previous experience with this species: saw several, mostly adults at grands Isle. several years ago.
- 21. Identification aids: (list books, illustrations, other birders, etc. used in identification):

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- 22. Identification aids used when? At time of sighting
- 23. Are you positive of your identification? If not, explain: no, not a well dedfined plumage.
- 24. Date report completed:6-28-24
- 25. May the LBRC have permission to display in whole or in part this report and accompanying photos on the LOS-LBRC website and LBRC Facebook page? Yes
- 26. If yes, may we include your name with the report? Yes

