LOUISIANA BIRD RECORDS COMMITTEE

REPORT FORM

This form is intended as a convenience in reporting observations of species on the Louisiana Bird Records Committee (LBRC) Review List. The LBRC recommends the use of this form or a similar format when submitting records for review (to assure that all pertinent information is accounted for). <u>Attach additional pages as necessary</u>. Please print or type. Attach xerox of field notes, drawings, photographs, or tape recordings, if available. Include all photos for more obscurely marked species. When completed, mail to Secretary, Louisiana Bird Records Committee, c/o Museum of Natural Science, 119 Foster Hall, Louisiana State University, Baton Rouge, LA 70803-3216.

1. English and Scientific names: Gray Kingbird, Tyrannus dominicensis

2. Number of individuals, sexes, ages, general plumage (e.g., 2 in alternate plumage): One

3. Locality: Parish: _Jefferson _____ Specific Locality: Grand Isle State Park (East)

4. Date(s) when observed: 30 April 2021

5. Time(s) of day when observed: 1500 CDT (timestamp on photos incorrect; camera setting off one hour)

6. Reporting observer and address: Robert C. Dobbs, Lafayette, LA

7. Other observers accompanying reporter who also identified the bird(s): none

8. <u>Other observers who</u> *independently identified* the bird(s): Bird had been previously reported, but I don't recall by whom or for how

9. Light conditions (position of bird in relation to shade and to direction and amount of light): bright, mid-afternoon light, but muted (no glare) due to overcast sky

10. Optical equipment (type, power, condition): Swarovski 10x42 binos (good condition), Canon EF 100-400 mm 1:4.5-5.6AF-S 300 mm 1:4 D camera lens (good condition)

11. Distance to bird(s): 12 m or so

12. Duration of observation: 3 min or so

13. Habitat: scrubby vegetated dune with a few taller trees (didn't note which spp)

14. Behavior of bird / circumstances of observation (flying, feeding, resting; include and stress habits used in identification; relate events surrounding observation): Perching, seemed to be resting, didn't seem to be actively foraging

15. 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): Kingbird, gray above w/ pale edging on wing coverts, whitish below; dark mask and very large bill (larger bill than Eastern Kingbird, several of which were nearby); notched tail lacking white tip, etc

16. Voice: Not vocal

17. Similar species (include how they were eliminated by your observation): Eastern Kingbird eliminated by characters described above.

18. Photographs or tape recordings obtained? (by whom? Attached?): Photos by Robert C. Dobbs, pasted below

19. Previous experience with this species: Extensive, on Gulf coast and in tropics

20. Identification aids: (list books, illustrations, other birders, etc. used in identification):

a. at time of observation: none

b. after observation: none

22. Are you positive of your identification if not, explain: Yes, positive

23. Date: 13 June 2021 ____ Time: _0915 CDT _____

24. May the LBRC have permission to display this report or portions of this report on its website? <u>Yes</u> If yes, may we include your name with the report? Yes

