

**RESOLUTION 2023 – 10**

**A RESOLUTION TO ACCEPT THE TERMS OF NATIONAL OPIOID SETTLEMENTS AND AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER TO EXECUTE ANY AND ALL RELATED DOCUMENTS AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY**

WHEREAS, the City of Mason, Ohio (herein “Municipality”) is a municipal corporation formed and organized pursuant to the Constitution and laws of the State of Ohio; and

WHEREAS, the people of the State of Ohio and its communities have been harmed by misfeasance, nonfeasance and malfeasance committed by certain entities within the Opioid Pharmaceutical Supply Chain; and

WHEREAS, the State of Ohio, through its Attorney General, and certain Local Governments, through their elected representatives and counsel, are separately engaged in various litigation seeking to hold Opioid Pharmaceutical Supply Chain Participants accountable for the damage caused by their misfeasance, nonfeasance and malfeasance; and

WHEREAS, the State of Ohio, through its Governor and Attorney General, and its Local Governments share a common desire to abate and alleviate the impacts of that misfeasance, nonfeasance and malfeasance throughout the State of Ohio; and

WHEREAS settlement proposals are being presented to the State of Ohio and Local Governments by certain distributors to resolve governmental entity claims in the State of Ohio; and

WHEREAS, Mason City Council wishes to agree to the material terms of any future proposed National Opioid Settlements.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF MASON, OHIO, seven members elected thereto concurring.

Section 1. That the City Manager of the City of Mason is authorized to accept the Proposed Settlements on behalf of the City of Mason, pursuant to the terms of any required Agreement, now and in the future until such authorization is revoked by this Council.

Section 2. That it is found and determined that all formal actions of the Council relating to the adoption of this resolution were adopted in an open meeting of this Council, and that all deliberations of this Council and any of its committees that resulted in such formal action, were in meetings open to the public, in compliance with all legal requirements.

Section 3. This Resolution is hereby declared to be an emergency measure, necessary for the preservation of the public peace, health, welfare and safety of the City of Mason and shall be effective immediately upon its adoption. The reason for the emergency is to ensure prompt pursuit of funds to assist in abating the opioid epidemic throughout Ohio.

Passed this 13<sup>th</sup> day of March, 2023.

Attest:

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Mayor

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Clerk of Council