

**TOWN OF VIENNA, VIRGINIA**

**RESOLUTION**

**DECEMBER 6, 2021**

**A Resolution to approve the Town's participation in the proposed settlement of opioid related claims against McKesson, Cardinal Health, AmerisourceBergen, Janssen, and their related corporate entities, and to direct the Town Manager and/or Town Attorney to execute the documents necessary to effectuate the Town's participation in the settlements.**

**WHEREAS**, the opioid epidemic that has cost thousands of human lives across the country also impacts the Commonwealth of Virginia and its towns, cities and counties by adversely impacting, amongst other things, the delivery of emergency medical, law enforcement, criminal justice, mental health and substance abuse services, and other services; and

**WHEREAS**, the Commonwealth of Virginia and its towns, cities and counties have been required and will continue to be required to allocate substantial taxpayer dollars, resources, staff energy and time to address the damage the opioid epidemic has caused and continues to cause the citizens of Virginia; and

**WHEREAS**, settlement proposals have been negotiated that will cause McKesson, Cardinal Health, AmerisourceBergen, and Janssen to pay up to \$26 billion nationwide to resolve opioid-related claims against them.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the Town Council of the Town of Vienna, Virginia, on this 6<sup>th</sup> day of December, hereby approves of the Town's participation in the proposed settlement of opioid-related claims against McKesson, Cardinal Health, AmerisourceBergen, Janssen, and their related corporate entities, and directs the Town Manager and/or Town Attorney to execute the documents necessary to effectuate the Town's participation in the settlements, including the required release of claims against settling entities.

ADOPTED this 6<sup>th</sup> day of December 2021.

Signed and dated: \_\_\_\_\_

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Linda J. Colbert, Mayor

A COPY ATTEST:

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Melanie J. Clark, CMC  
Town Clerk