


**A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF HARRISONBURG,  
VIRGINIA, APPROVING OF THE CITY’S PARTICIPATION IN THE VIRGINIA  
OPIOID ABATEMENT FUND AND SETTLEMENT ALLOCATION MEMORANDUM  
OF UNDERSTANDING (“MOU”) AND DIRECTING THE CITY ATTORNEY AND  
CITY MANAGER TO EXECUTE THE DOCUMENTS NECESSARY TO EFFECTUATE  
THE CITY OF HARRISONBURG’S PARTICIPATION IN THE MOU**

**WHEREAS**, the opioid epidemic that has cost thousands of human lives across the country also impacts the Commonwealth of Virginia and its 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 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**, in order to advance their common interests, Virginia local governments and the Commonwealth of Virginia, through counsel, have extensively negotiated the terms of a memorandum of understanding relating to the allocation and use of litigation recoveries relating to the opioid epidemic;

**NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED** that the Harrisonburg City Council, this 9<sup>th</sup> day of November, 2021, hereby authorizes and approves of the Virginia Abatement Fund and Settlement Allocation Memorandum of Understanding (“MOU”) attached hereto and incorporated by reference as Exhibit “A,” and directs the City Attorney and City Manager, either of whom may act, to execute the MOU.

  
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Mayor

ATTEST:

  
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City Clerk