

**RESOLUTION NO. 2024-R-22**

**A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE CITY TO SIGN THE NECESSARY DOCUMENTS TO ALLOW THE CITY TO PARTICIPATE IN THE KROGER OPIOID SETTLEMENT AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY**

**WHEREAS**, the City has signed a Memorandum of Understanding with the Ohio Attorney General that allows the City to participate in settlements that are reached with various entities that are and were in the opioid distribution business that has been the subject of extensive litigation throughout the Country; and

**WHEREAS**, a monetary settlement has been reached with Kroger and this settlement will provide money to the City that can be used for programs related to opioid use and to mitigate the effects of opioid use; and

**WHEREAS**, in order to participate in this settlement, the City must sign the necessary documents to “opt-in” to this settlement and it is the opinion of the Administration that the City should opt-in to this settlement.

**NOW THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED** by the Council of the City of Mentor on the Lake, County of Lake and State of Ohio, as follows:

Section 1. That the Mayor, the Administrative Director or the Law Directors are hereby authorized and directed to sign the necessary documents to enter into the settlement with Kroger and return the documents to the Opioid Implementation Director on or before August 12, 2024.

Section 2. That all formal actions of this Council concerning the passage of this Ordinance were adopted in an open meeting, and that all deliberations of this Council, or any of its Committees, which resulted in such formal action, were in meetings open to the public, in compliance with all legal requirements, including Section 121.22 of the Ohio Revised Code.

Section 3. That this Resolution is hereby declared to be and is passed as an emergency measure, the emergency being the need to opt-in to the settlement on or before August 12, 2024. Said Resolution is necessary for the immediate preservation of the public peace, health, safety and welfare of the inhabitants of the City of Mentor on the Lake.

**WHEREFORE**, this Resolution shall be in full force and effect as provided by law upon its passage by Council and approval by the Mayor.

ADOPTED: 6/25/24

  
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ROBERT JOHNSON  
PRESIDENT OF COUNCIL

ATTEST: ungmagpig

*Acting* CLERK OF COUNCIL

  
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DAVID R. EVA

MAYOR

Dated: 6-25-2024