

RESOLUTION NO. _____

A RESOLUTION OF THE ALEXANDRIA CITY COUNCIL APPROVING OF THE CITY'S PARTICIPATION IN THE PROPOSED COMBINED SETTLEMENT AGREEMENT RESOLVING OPIOID-RELATED CLAIMS AGAINST ASSOCIATED PHARMACIES, INC. (AND AMERICAN ASSOCIATED PHARMACIES); J M SMITH CORPORATION; LOUISIANA WHOLESALE DRUG COMPANY, INC; MORRIS AND DICKSON CO.; NORTH CAROLINA MUTUAL WHOLESALE DRUG COMPANY, INC.; and UNITED NATURAL FOODS, INC. (INCLUDING ITS SUBSIDIARIES SUPERVALU AND ADVANTAGE LOGISTICS) (COLLECTIVELY REFERRED TO AS THE SIX REMNANT DEFENDANTS), AND DIRECTING THE CITY ATTORNEY AND/OR THE CITY'S ADMINISTRATOR OR CITY'S MANAGER TO EXECUTE THE DOCUMENTS NECESSARY TO EFFECTUATE THE CITY'S PARTICIPATION IN THE SETTLEMENT

There is one settlement agreement covering the combined settlement with the Six Remnant Defendants.

WHEREAS the opioid epidemic that has cost thousands of human lives across the country also impacts the City of Alexandria by adversely impacting the delivery of emergency medical, law enforcement, criminal justice, mental health and substance abuse services, and other services by the City's various departments and agencies; and

WHEREAS the City has 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 the City; and

WHEREAS a settlement proposal has been negotiated that will cause six opioids defendants, Associated Pharmacies, Inc (and American Associated Pharmacies); J M Smith Corporation; Louisiana Wholesale Drug Company, Inc.; Morris and Dickson Co.; North Carolina Mutual Wholesale Drug Company, Inc.; and United Natural Foods, Inc. (including its subsidiaries SuperValu and Advantage Logistics) ("Six Remnant Defendants") to pay approximately \$97,625,000 nationwide to resolve opioid-related claims by state subdivisions against it; and

WHEREAS the City will be entitled to a portion of the settlement proceeds despite not having filed suit against any of the Six Remnant Defendants; and

WHEREAS the City seeks recovery of the public funds previously expended and to be expended in the future to abate the consequences and harm of the opioid epidemic; and

WHEREAS the City's outside opioid litigation counsel has recommended that the City participate in the Six Remnant Defendants settlement to recover its share of the funds that the settlement would provide; and

WHEREAS the City Attorney has reviewed the available information about the proposed settlement and concurs with the recommendation of outside counsel; and

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Alexandria City Council, this 14th day of April, 2026, approves of the City's participation in the proposed settlement of opioid-related claims against the Six Remnant Defendants and their related corporate entities, and directs the City Attorney and/or the City Administrator or City Manager to execute the documents necessary to effectuate the City's participation in the settlement, including the required release of claims against the Six Remnant Defendants.

Adopted: _____

ALYIA GASKINS, MAYOR

Gloria A. Sitton, CMC, City Clerk