

RESOLUTION NO.: 108-2024

INTRODUCED BY: Mayor Thomas and All of Council

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO EXECUTE AND DELIVER A SUBDIVISION PARTICIPATION AND RELEASE FORM TO SETTLE THE CITY'S CLAIMS AND PARTICIPATE IN A SETTLEMENT AGREEMENT AGAINST KROGER CO. IN THE NATIONAL OPIATE PRESCRIPTION LITIGATION.

WHEREAS, the City of Richmond Heights is a Non-Litigating Subdivision eligible to participate in the settlement of the litigation known as the National Opiate Prescription Litigation, MDL No. 2804, in the United States District Court, Northern District of Ohio;

WHEREAS, on behalf of all Plaintiffs in the aforementioned litigation, the Plaintiffs' Executive Committee has reached a settlement agreement with Kroger Co. whereby it must pay the sum of \$1.2 billion to participating political subdivisions to remediate and abate the impacts of the opioid crisis over an eleven (11)-year period;

WHEREAS, to participate in the aforementioned settlement, the City must submit a Subdivision Participation and Release Form; and

WHEREAS, this Council finds and determines that it is necessary and in the best interest of the City of Richmond Heights to authorize the Mayor to execute and deliver the Subdivision Participation and Release Form to participate in the aforementioned settlement.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Council of the City of Richmond Heights, County of Cuyahoga, State of Ohio, that:

Section 1. The Mayor is hereby authorized to execute and deliver a Subdivision Participation and Release Form to settle the City's claims and participate in a settlement agreement against Kroger Co. in the National Opiate Prescription Litigation, MDL No. 2804, in the United States District Court, Northern District of Ohio; and the Mayor, Law Director and Clerk of Council are hereby further authorized to take all actions and execute all documents necessary to effectuate said settlement.

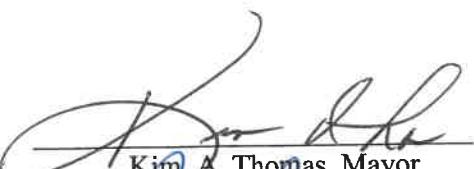
Section 2. All formal actions of this Council related to this Resolution and all deliberations of this Council and of any of its Committees that resulted in such formal action were in meetings open to the public in compliance with all legal requirements, including Section 121.22 of the Ohio Revised Code.

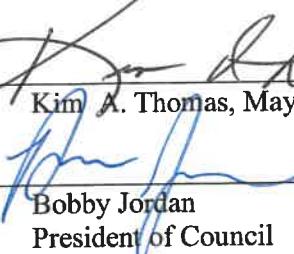
Section 3. This Resolution take effect and be in force from and after the earliest period provided by law.

PASSED: July 23, 2024

APPROVED: July 23, 2024

ATTEST: Tracey Blair
Tracey Blair
Clerk of Council


Kim A. Thomas, Mayor


Bobby Jordan
President of Council