## RESOLUTION

A RESOLUTION OF THE ALBEMARLE COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS APPROVING OF THE COUNTY'S PARTICIPATION IN THE PROPOSED SETTLEMENT OF OPIOID-RELATED CLAIMS AGAINST MCKESSON, CARDINAL HEALTH, AMERISOURCEBERGEN, JANSSEN, AND THEIR RELATED CORPORATE ENTITIES, AND DIRECTING THE COUNTY ATTORNEY TO EXECUTE THE DOCUMENTS NECESSARY TO EFFECTUATE THE COUNTY'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 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,** 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 Albemarle County Board of Supervisors, this 17<sup>th</sup> day of November, 2021, approves of the County's participation in the proposed settlement of opioid-related claims against McKesson, Cardinal Health, AmerisourceBergen, Janssen, and their related corporate entities, and directs the County Attorney to execute the documents necessary to effectuate the County's participation in the settlements, including the required release of claims against settling entities.

resolution duly adopt	ed by the	he Board	certify that the foregoing writing is a true, correct copy of a of Supervisors of Albemarle County, Virginia, by a vote of regular meeting held on November 17, 2021.
			Clerk, Board of County Supervisors
	Aye	Nay	
Mr. Gallaway			
Ms. LaPisto-Kirtley			
Ms. Mallek			
Ms. McKeel			
Ms. Palmer			
Ms. Price			