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RESOLUTION NO. 21-1481

A RESOLUTION OF THE MAYOR AND COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF DOUGLAS, COCHISE COUNTY, ARIZONA, AUTHORIZING THE CITY OF DOUGLAS, A MUNICIPAL CORPORATION TO PARTICIPATE IN THE ONE ARIZONA DISTRIBUTION OF OPIOID SETTLEMENT FUNDS AGREEMENT TO PROVIDE FINANCIAL RELIEF TO COMMUNITIES AS A RESULT OF THE EFFECTS OF THE OPIOID PANDEMIC.

WHEREAS, the entire nation and the people of the state of Arizona and its communities have been harmed by the opioid epidemic, caused by the pharmaceutical supply chain; and

WHEREAS, various states and local political subdivisions brought litigation against the three largest pharmaceutical distributors: McKesson, Cardinal Health and AmerisourceBergen and manufacturer Janssen Pharmaceuticals, Inc for their role in the opioids epidemic national crisis; and

WHEREAS, a nationwide settlement agreement has been reached to resolve all opioids litigation and provide funds to states and local political subdivisions; and

WHEREAS, the city desires to participate in the \$22.7 billion settlement and receive a portion of the funds that is dependent on other states and local political subdivisions participation; and

WHEREAS, the use of the funding shall be used to combat the opioid epidemic as depicted in the Exhibit A of the One Arizona Distribution of Opioid Settlement Funds Agreement; and

WHEREAS, the Mayor and Council find that the interests of the City are served by entering into said Agreement pursuant to the terms and conditions outlined in the proposed One Arizona Distribution of Opioid Settlement Funds Agreement attached hereto and incorporated into this resolution by reference.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Mayor and Council of the City of Douglas, Arizona, as follows:

Section 1. The City is authorized to enter into the One Arizona Distribution of Opioid Settlement Funds Agreement, attached hereto.

Section 2. The City Manager and the City Clerk are authorized and directed to sign and execute the documents necessary to consummate said Agreement.

PASSED AND ADOPTED by the Mayor and Council of the City of Douglas this 10th day of November, 2021.

Donald C. Huish, Mayor

Attest:

Approved as to form:

Alma Andrade, City Clerk

Denis Fitzgibbons, City Attorney