RESOLUTION OF THE CITY OF WINSTON-SALEM AUTHORIZING EXECUTION OF THE ALVOGEN, APOTEX, HIKMA, INDIVIOR, MYLAN, SUN, AND ZYDUS OPIOID SETTLEMENT DOCUMENTS, THE PURDUE PHARMA AND SACKLER FAMILY OPIOID SETTLEMENT DOCUMENTS AND APPROVING THE SUPPLEMENTAL AGREEMENT FOR ADDITIONAL FUNDS

WHEREAS, the opioid overdose epidemic has taken the lives of more than 37,000 North Carolinians since 2000; and

**WHEREAS**, the COVID-19 pandemic has compounded the opioid overdose crisis, increasing levels of drug misuse, addiction, and overdose death; and

WHEREAS, the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention estimates the total economic burden of prescription opioid misuse alone in the United States is \$78.5 billion a year, including the costs of healthcare, lost productivity, addiction treatment, and criminal justice involvement; and

WHEREAS, certain counties and municipalities, in North Carolina, including the City of Winston-Salem, joined with thousands of local governments across the country to file lawsuits against opioid manufacturers, pharmaceutical distribution companies, and chain drug stores to hold those companies accountable for their misconduct; and

WHEREAS, a settlement has been reached in litigation against eight opioids manufacturers, Alvogen, Amneal, Apotex, Hikma, Indivior, Mylan, Sun, and Zydus; and

WHEREAS, a settlement has been reached in litigation against Purdue Pharma and the Sackler family; and

WHEREAS, representatives of local North Carolina governments and the North Carolina Department of Justice have negotiated and prepared a Supplemental Agreement for Additional Funds to provide for the equitable distribution of the proceeds of these settlements; and



WHEREAS, by joining the settlements, the state and local governments maximize North Carolina's share of opioid settlement funds to ensure the needed resources reach communities, as quickly, effectively, and directly as possible; and

WHEREAS, it is advantageous to all North Carolinians for local governments to sign onto the settlements to demonstrate solidarity in response to the opioid overdose crisis and maximize the share of opioid settlement funds received by state and local governments to help abate the harm; and

WHEREAS, the settlements direct substantial resources over multiple years to local governments on the front lines of the opioid overdose epidemic while ensuring that these resources are used in an effective way to address the crisis;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Mayor and the City Council of the City of Winston-Salem hereby authorize the city manager, city attorney, city clerk and the chief financial officer as well as their designees to execute all documents necessary to enter opioid settlement agreements with Alvogen, Amneal, Apotex, Hikma, Indivior, Mylan, Sun, and Zydus and with Purdue Pharma and the Sackler family to provide such documents to Rubris, the Implementation Administrator.

Adopted this the 2<sup>nd</sup> day of September, 2025

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