

A RESOLUTION OF THE CARROLL 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 CARROLL COUNTY ATTORNEY AND/OR THE COUNTY’S
OUTSIDE COUNSEL 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 Carroll County by adversely impacting the delivery of emergency medical, law enforcement, criminal justice, mental health and substance abuse services, and other services by Carroll County’s various departments and agencies; and

WHEREAS, Carroll County 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 Carroll County; and

WHEREAS, Carroll County has filed suit against McKesson, Cardinal Health, AmerisourceBergen, and Janssen Pharmaceuticals, along with certain of their related corporate entities for their role in the distribution, manufacture, and sale of the pharmaceutical opioid products that have fueled the opioid epidemic that has harmed Carroll County; and

WHEREAS, The County’s suit seeks recovery of the public funds previously expended and to be expended in the future to abate the consequences and harms of the opioid epidemic; 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; and

WHEREAS, Carroll County’s outside opioid litigation counsel has recommended that the County participate in the settlements in order to recover its share of the funds that the settlement would provide; and

WHEREAS, the Carroll County Attorney has reviewed the available information about the proposed settlements and concurs with the recommendation of outside counsel;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Supervisors of the County of Carroll, Virginia (the “Board”): that, this ____ day of _____, 2021, the Board 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 and/or the County’s outside counsel to execute the documents necessary to effectuate the County’s participation in the settlements, including the required release of claims against settling entities.

This Resolution was duly adopted this _____ of _____, 2021.

This RESOLUTION shall be effective immediately.

Member	Vote
Robbie McCraw	_____
Rex Hill	_____
Thomas Littrell	_____
Joe Neil Webb	_____
Tracy Moore	_____
Phillip McCraw	_____

Clerk