

1 RESOLUTION 2021-050

2 A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COMMISSION OF LAUDERDALE LAKES, FLORIDA
3 SUPPORTING AND AUTHORIZING THE CITY OF LAUDERDALE LAKES TO JOIN AS
4 PARTICIPANT IN NON-BINDING AGREEMENT ON THE TERMS OF PROPOSED
5 MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING (MOU) AND OTHER FORMAL AGREEMENTS
6 IMPLEMENTING A UNIFIED PLAN BETWEEN THE STATE OF FLORIDA AND
7 PARTICIPATING LOCAL GOVERNMENTS PERTAINING TO THE ALLOCATION AND
8 USE OF PROCEEDS OF NEGOTIATED SETTLEMENT OF LEGAL AND EQUITABLE
9 CLAIMS AGAINST CERTAIN PHARMACEUTICAL SUPPLY CHAIN PARTICIPANT FOR
10 HARM CAUSED BY OPIOID EPIDEMIC, A DRAFT COPY OF WHICH IS ATTACHED
11 HERETO AS EXHIBIT A, AND A COPY OF WHICH CAN BE INSPECTED IN THE OFFICE
12 OF THE CITY CLERK; PROVIDING FOR THE ADOPTION OF RECITALS; PROVIDING FOR
13 INSTRUCTIONS TO THE CITY CLERK; PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

14 WHEREAS, the City of Lauderdale Lakes, Florida has suffered harm from the opioid
15 epidemic;

16 WHEREAS, the City of Lauderdale Lakes, Florida recognizes that the entire State of Florida
17 has suffered harm as a result from the opioid epidemic;

18 WHEREAS, the State of Florida has filed an action pending in Pasco County, Florida, and a
19 number of Florida Cities and Counties have also filed an action *In re: National Prescription Opiate*
20 *Litigation*, MDL No. 2804 (N.D. Ohio) (the "Opioid Litigation") and the City of Lauderdale Lakes,
21 Florida is not a litigating participant in that action;

22 WHEREAS, the State of Florida and lawyers representing certain various local
23 governments involved in the Opioid Litigation have proposed a unified plan for the allocation and
24 use of prospective settlement dollars from opioid related litigation;

25 WHEREAS, the Florida Memorandum of Understanding (the "Florida Plan") sets forth a
26 framework of a unified plan for the proposed allocation and use of opioid settlement proceeds
27 and it is anticipated that formal agreements implementing the Florida Plan will be entered into
28 at a future date;

1 WHEREAS, participation in the Florida Plan by a large majority of Florida cities and
2 counties will materially increase the amount of funds to Florida and should improve Florida's
3 relative bargaining position during additional settlement negotiations; and

4 WHEREAS, failure to participate in the Florida Plan will reduce funds available to the State,
5 City of Lauderdale Lakes, Florida, and every other Florida city and county;

6 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF
7 LAUDERDALE LAKES, as follows:

8 SECTION 1. ADOPTION OF RECITALS: The foregoing RECITALS are hereby ratified and
9 confirmed as being true, and the same are hereby incorporated by reference and made part of
10 this Resolution.

11 SECTION 2. FINDING: The City Commission of the City of Lauderdale Lakes, Florida
12 hereby finds that participation in the Florida Plan would be in the best interest of the City of
13 Lauderdale Lakes, Florida and its citizens in that such a plan ensures that almost all of the
14 settlement funds go to abate and resolve the opioid epidemic and each and every city and county
15 receives funds for the harm that it has suffered.

16 SECTION 3. The City Commission of the City of Lauderdale Lakes, Florida hereby
17 expresses its support of a unified plan for the allocation and use of opioid settlement proceeds
18 as generally described in the Florida Plan, attached hereto as Exhibit "A."

19 SECTION 4. AUTHORIZATION: The City Commission of the City of Lauderdale Lakes,
20 Florida hereby expressly authorizes the Mayor, City Clerk and City Manager to execute the Florida
21 Plan in substantially the form contained in Exhibit "A."

SECTION 5. AUTHORIZATION: The Mayor, City Clerk and City Manager are hereby authorized to execute any formal agreements implementing a unified plan for the allocation and use of opioid settlement proceeds that is not substantially inconsistent with the Florida Plan and this Resolution.

SECTION 6. INSTRUCTION TO THE CITY CLERK: The City Clerk is hereby instructed to record this Resolution in the appropriate record books of the City upon its adoption, and is further hereby directed to furnish a certified copy of this Ordinance/Resolution to the Florida League of Cities, and to:

Attorney General Ashley Moody
c/o John M. Guard
The Capitol,
PL-01
Tallahassee, FL 32399-1050

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SECTION 7. This Resolution shall take effect immediately upon its adoption.

ADOPTED BY THE CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF LAUDERDALE LAKES AT ITS REGULAR
MEETING HELD MAY 11, 2021.

HAZELLE ROGERS, MAYOR

ATTEST:

VENICE HOWARD, CMC, CITY CLERK

Approved as to form and legality
for the use of and reliance by the
City of Lauderdale Lakes only:

Sidney C. Calloway, City Attorney

Sponsored by: Phil Alleyne, City Manager

VOTE:

Mayor Hazelle Rogers	_____ (For)	_____ (Against)	_____ (Other)
Vice-Mayor Beverly Williams	_____ (For)	_____ (Against)	_____ (Other)
Commissioner Marilyn Davis	_____ (For)	_____ (Against)	_____ (Other)
Commissioner Veronica Edwards Phillips	_____ (For)	_____ (Against)	_____ (Other)
Commissioner Karlene Maxwell-Williams	_____ (For)	_____ (Against)	_____ (Other)