

RESOLUTION NO. 15-1

WHEREAS, Sangamon County is one of many public bodies who are Plaintiffs in the following lawsuit: In re National Prescription Opiate Litigation, Case No. 1:17-MD-2804 (U.S. Dist. Ct. N.D. OH); and

WHEREAS, through this lawsuit, Sangamon County generally seeks to recover from the named Defendants expenses it has incurred in the past and will incur in the future arising from the Defendants' activities which resulted in the improper use of opioids by persons in Sangamon County; and

WHEREAS, Defendants Walgreens, Walmart, CVS, Teva, and Allergan have offered to settle Sangamon County's claims against them within the context of a nationwide settlement offer extended to other Plaintiffs who are also public bodies; and

WHEREAS, should Sangamon County accept the settlement offer, that settlement would have no effect on Sangamon County's claims against non-settling Defendants; and

WHEREAS, after consultation with legal counsel representing Sangamon County in the lawsuit, the Board has determined that in order to avoid the uncertainties and expenses inherent in litigation and ensure a recovery in the lawsuit as a whole, it is in the best interest of Sangamon County to accept the settlement offer.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the members of the Sangamon County Board on this this 7th day of March, 2023, that County Administrator Brian McFadden is authorized to settle Sangamon County's claims against Defendants Walgreens, Walmart, CVS, Teva, and Allergan in the aforementioned lawsuit in any gross aggregate amount in excess of seven hundred thousand dollars and execute, on Sangamon County's behalf, any documents necessary to effectuate and finalize the settlement under terms he deems acceptable.

Approved by the Finance Committee March 7, 2023

_____, Chairman

Chairman, Sangamon County Board

ATTEST:

County Clerk

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