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ORDINANCE OR RESOLUTION ADOPTED BY THE CITY COUNCIL.**

ORDINANCE

**AUTHORIZING THE APPROPRIATION OF OPIOID
SETTLEMENT FUNDS IN AN AMOUNT UP TO \$909,000.00 FOR
USE BY THE SAN ANTONIO METROPOLITAN HEALTH
DISTRICT FOR SUBSTANCE USE AND HARM REDUCTION
INITIATIVES.**

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WHEREAS, the State of Texas, Bexar County, and City of San Antonio (COSA) participated in settlement agreements with various companies to resolve legal claims against the companies for their role in the opioid crisis; and

WHEREAS, the companies include opioid medication marketing consultants, pharmaceutical companies, opioid manufacturers, and pharmaceutical distributors; and

WHEREAS, settlement agreements to date include those with pharmacy chains, opioid manufacturers, distributors, and more; and

WHEREAS, thus far, the State of Texas has secured more than \$1.6 billion in opioid settlement funds, up to 15% of which will be passed through to local governments; and

WHEREAS, the amount of funding Texas anticipates receiving is dependent on the number of local governments that join the settlement agreements; and

WHEREAS, the City anticipates receiving \$6.1 million as its share of an opioid litigation settlement, to be paid over 18 years; and

WHEREAS, during the FY 2024 Three Plus Nine (3+9) City Council B Session briefing on February 14, 2024, an update on the Opioid Settlement Funds was provided; and

WHEREAS, the presentation noted that the City had received approximately \$1.4 million in settlement funds; and

WHEREAS, the plan presented during the 3+9 briefing recommended \$909,000.00 be appropriated to support substance use and harm reduction initiatives for FY 2024 and FY 2025; and

WHEREAS, the San Antonio Metropolitan Health District (Metro Health) will use funds for substance use outreach and community capacity building activities, targeted provider education addressing stigma around pregnant people experiencing addiction, medicated assisted treatment for street outreach clients, the creation of a substance use resource portal, and Narcan and harm reduction supplies;

WHEREAS, Metro Health requests City Council approval of the appropriation of Opioid Settlement Funds in an amount up to \$909,000.00 for substance use and harm reduction initiatives; **NOW THEREFORE:**

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SAN ANTONIO:

SECTION 1. The City Manager or designee, or the Director of the San Antonio Metropolitan Health District (DHS) or designee, is hereby authorized to appropriate Opioid Settlement Funds in an amount up to \$909,000.00 for use by the San Antonio Metropolitan Health District for substance use and harm reduction initiatives.

SECTION 2. Funding is available from Internal Order Number 836000000228, for a total amount up to \$909,000.00.

SECTION 3. The financial allocations in this Ordinance are subject to approval by the Deputy Chief Financial Officer, City of San Antonio. The Deputy Chief Financial Officer may, subject to concurrence by the City Manager or the City Manager's designee, correct allocations to specific SAP Fund Numbers, SAP Project Definitions, SAP WBS Elements, SAP Internal Orders, SAP Fund Centers, SAP Cost Centers, SAP Functional Areas, SAP Funds Reservation Document Numbers, and SAP GL Accounts as necessary to carry out the purpose of this Ordinance.

SECTION 4. This Ordinance is effective immediately upon the receipt of eight affirmative votes; otherwise, it is effective ten days after passage.

PASSED AND APPROVED this _____ day of May 2024.

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Ron Nirenberg

ATTEST:

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

Debbie Racca-Sittre, City Clerk

Andrew Segovia, City Attorney