

RESOLUTION NO. R2021-_____

A RESOLUTION RECOMMENDING REGISTRATION AND PARTICIPATION IN THE NATIONAL OPIOID SETTLEMENT

WHEREAS, the opioid epidemic has had a devastating effect on communities and individuals throughout the United States including those in the City of South Salt Lake; and

WHEREAS, multiple settlements have been reached between opioid manufacturers and litigants, including the State of Utah, who have filed claims against opioid manufacturers; and

WHEREAS, the proposed settlement amount is directly affected by the number of political subdivisions that participate in the settlement agreements; and

WHEREAS, the City has not filed suit against any opioid manufacturers but is still eligible to participate in the settlement; and

WHEREAS, in order to participate in the settlement agreements, the City must register with the National Opioid Settlement; and

WHEREAS, Due to the high cost of litigation and the ability to positively increase the settlement amount received, it is in the City's best interest to register for the National Opioid Settlement;

Now, therefore, BE IT RESOLVED, by the South Salt Lake City Council that:

1. The South Salt Lake City Council recommends that the Mayor or her designee registers with the National Opioid Settlement.
2. The Council further recommends the City's participation in settlement discussions and agreements in order to assist those individuals in the City who have been negatively impacted by the opioid epidemic and in order to assist in the prevention of harm from opioid use or abuse.

(signatures appear on separate page)

APPROVED AND ADOPTED by the City Council of the City of South Salt Lake, Utah, on this _____ day of _____, 2021.

BY THE CITY COUNCIL:

Sharla Bynum, Council Chair

Council vote as recorded:

Bynum	_____
deWolfe	_____
Huff	_____
Mila	_____
Pinkney	_____
Siwik	_____
Thomas	_____

ATTEST:

Craig D. Burton, City Recorder