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AN EXTRACT OF THE MINUTES OF THE PARISH COUNCIL OF IBERIA PARISH,  
LOUISIANA, TAKEN AT A REGULAR MEETING HELD ON  
WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 13, 2021.

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A motion was made by Mr. Lloyd Brown, seconded by Mr. Michael R. Landry, that the following be adopted:

## RESOLUTION NO. 2021-169

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING IBERIA PARISH TO JOIN WITH THE STATE OF LOUISIANA AND OTHER LOCAL GOVERNMENTAL UNITS AS A PARTICIPANT IN THE LOUISIANA STATE-LOCAL GOVERNMENTAL OPIOID LITIGATION MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING; AUTHORIZING JOHN YOUNG TO EXECUTE SAID MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING ON BEHALF OF IBERIA PARISH; AUTHORIZING THE PARISH PRESIDENT TO EXECUTE ANY OTHER AGREEMENTS OR DOCUMENTS NECESSARY FOR IMPLEMENTATION OF A UNIFIED PLAN FOR THE ALLOCATION AND USE OF THE OPIOID SETTLEMENT PROCEEDS AND ANY OTHER DOCUMENTS NECESSARY TO CARRY OUT THE INTENT AND PURPOSES OF THE MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING PROVIDING FOR THE EFFECTIVE DATE THEREOF; AND OTHERWISE PROVIDING WITH RESPECT THERETO.

WHEREAS, the Parish of Iberia has suffered harm from the opioid epidemic; and

WHEREAS, the Parish of Iberia recognizes that the entire State of Louisiana has suffered harm as a result of the opioid epidemic; and

WHEREAS, the State of Louisiana has a pending action in state court, and a number of Louisiana cities and parishes have also filed an action entitled In re: National Prescription Opiate Litigation, MDL No. 2804 (N.D. Ohio) (the "Opioid Litigation"); and

WHEREAS, the Parish of Iberia is a participant in that litigation; and

WHEREAS, the State of Louisiana and lawyers representing various local governments involved in the Opioid Litigation have proposed a unified plan for the allocation and use of prospective settlement proceeds from opioid related litigation; and

WHEREAS, the Louisiana State-Local Government Opioid Litigation Memorandum of Understanding (the "MOU") sets forth the framework of a unified plan for the proposed allocation and use of opioid settlement proceeds; and

WHEREAS, it is anticipated that formal agreements implementing the MOU will be entered into at a future date; and,

WHEREAS, participation in the MOU by a majority of Louisiana cities and parishes will materially increase the amount of funds allocated to Louisiana and should improve Louisiana's relative bargaining position during additional settlement negotiations; and

WHEREAS, failure to participate in the MOU will reduce the proceeds available to the State, the Parish of Iberia, and other Louisiana local governments;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE IBERIA PARISH COUNCIL, convened in Regular Session, on this 13th day of October 2021 that:

SECTION ONE

The Iberia Parish Council finds that participation in the MOU would be in the best interest of Iberia Parish and its citizens in that the plan set forth therein ensures that almost all of the settlement funds go to abate and resolve the opioid epidemic and that cities and parishes receive funds for the harm that it has suffered.

SECTION TWO

The Iberia Parish Council hereby expresses its support of a unified plan for the allocation and use of opioid settlement proceeds as generally described in the MOU, attached hereto as Exhibit "A."

SECTION THREE

John F. Young is hereby expressly authorized to execute the MOU in substantially the form contained in Exhibit "A."

SECTION FOUR

The Parish President is hereby authorized to execute any agreements necessary for implementation of a unified plan for the allocation and use of opioid settlement proceeds that are consistent with the MOU and this Resolution including but not limited to the Subdivision Settlement Participation Form(s) in the Distributor Settlement Agreement and the Janssen Settlement Agreement, (available at <https://nationalopioidsettlement.com/>).

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SECTION FIVE

The Clerk of the Iberia Parish Council is hereby directed to furnish a certified copy of this Resolution to:

Attorney General Jeff Landry  
c/o Bill Stiles  
Post Office Box 94005  
Baton Rouge, LA 70804

SECTION SIX

This Resolution shall become effective immediately upon adoption by the Iberia Parish Council and approved by the Parish President in accordance with Section 2-13 of the Iberia Parish Home Rule Charter.

This Resolution having been submitted to a vote, the vote thereon was as follows:

YEAS: Francis "Tommy" Pollard, Sr., Michael R. Landry, Lloyd Brown, Warren P. Gachassin, Jr., Natalie Broussard, Paul G. Landry, James P. Trahan, Scott Ransonet, Brian P. Napier, Lady Fontenette Brown, and Chad Maturin.

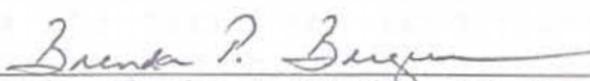
NAYS: None.

ABSENT: John Viator, Eugene A. Olivier, Sr, and Marty Trahan.

And the Resolution was declared adopted on this 13th day of October, 2021.

ATTEST: A true and correct copy of a Resolution adopted by the Parish Council of Iberia Parish, Louisiana, taken at a Regular Meeting held on Wednesday, October 13, 2021.

IN FAITH WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and the official seal of the Parish Council of Iberia Parish, Louisiana, on this 28th day of October, 2021.

  
Clerk of the Council, Parish Council of  
Iberia Parish, Louisiana.