

VILLAGE OF VERNON HILLS
RESOLUTION 2021-040

A RESOLUTION APPROVING AND AUTHORIZING THE VILLAGE MANAGER TO EXECUTE TWO PARTICIPATION AGREEMENTS RELATING TO THE NATIONAL OPIOID SETTLEMENT

WHEREAS, several opioid distributors including McKesson, Cardinal Health and AmerisourceBergen (“Distributors”) and manufacturer Janssen Pharmaceuticals, Inc. and its parent company Johnson & Johnson (collectively, “J&J”) entered into a settlement agreement with states across the country to resolve all opioids litigation brought by states and local political subdivisions (the “Nationwide Settlements”). The Illinois Attorney General has announced that Illinois will be participating in the Nationwide Settlements; and

WHEREAS, the President and Board of Trustees of the Village of Vernon Hills find it to be in the best interests of the Village to opt in to the Nationwide Settlements. The Nationwide Settlements are slated to provide substantial funds to states and political subdivisions for abatement of the opioids epidemic; and

WHEREAS, in order to opt in to the Nationwide Settlements, the Village must execute two participation agreements, one relating to settlement with the Opioid Distributors and one relating to settlement with Janseen related entities (“Participation Agreements”). The two Participation Agreements are attached hereto as **Group Exhibit A**; and

WHEREAS, the President and Board of Trustees of the Village of Vernon Hills find that it would be in the best interests of the Village and its citizens to enter into the attached Participation Agreements (**Group Exhibit A**).

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE PRESIDENT AND BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF THE VILLAGE OF VERNON HILLS, LAKE COUNTY, STATE OF ILLINOIS:

SECTION ONE: The recitals set forth above are incorporated by reference into this Section 1 as material terms.

SECTION TWO: That the Village Manager, or his or her designee, be and is hereby authorized and directed to execute the attached Participation Agreements (**Group Exhibit A**) and to take such further steps necessary to comply with the terms and conditions set forth therein and to facilitate participation by the Village in the Nationwide Settlements.

SECTION THREE: That this Resolution shall be in full force and effect after passage and approval as required by law.

Dated the 14th of December, 2021

Adopted by roll call votes as follows:

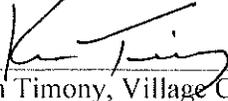
AYES: 6 – Marquardt, Forster, Oppenheim, Koch, Schenk, Byrne

NAYS: 0 - None

ABSENT AND NOT VOTING: 1 – Takaoka


Roger Byrne, Village President

ATTEST: 12/14/2021


Kevin Timony, Village Clerk



GROUP EXHIBIT A

National Opioid Participation Agreements

PARTICIPATION INSTRUCTIONS

Thank you for registering your subdivision on the national settlement website and for considering participating in the proposed Settlement Agreement with McKesson Corporation, Cardinal Health, Inc., and AmerisourceBergen Corporation (collectively “Settling Distributors”). This virtual envelope contains a Participation Form including a release of claims. The Participation Form in this envelope must be executed, without alteration, and submitted in order for your subdivision to be considered potentially “participating.”

The sign-on period for subdivisions ends on January 2, 2022. On or after that date, the states (in consultation with the subdivisions) and the Settling Distributors will determine whether the subdivision participation rate is sufficient for the settlement to move forward. If the deal moves forward, your release will become effective. If it does not, it will not.

As a reminder, if you have not already started your review of the settlement documentation, detailed information about the Settlements may be found at: <https://nationalopioidsettlement.com/>. This national settlement website also includes links to information about how the Settlements are being implemented in your state and how settlement funds will be allocated within your state, including information about, and links to, any applicable allocation agreement or legislation. This website will be supplemented as additional documents are created. If you have questions, please contact your counsel (if you have counsel on opioids matters) or the Illinois Attorney General’s Office at opioidsettlement@ilag.gov.

Settlement Participation Form

Governmental Entity: Vernon Hills village	State: IL
Authorized Signatory: Kevin Timony	
Address 1: 290 Evergreen Drive	
Address 2:	
City, State, Zip: Vernon Hills Illinois 60048	
Phone: 847-367-3700	
Email: kevinT@vhills.org	

The governmental entity identified above (“Governmental Entity”), in order to obtain and in consideration for the benefits provided to the Governmental Entity pursuant to the Settlement Agreement dated July 21, 2021 (“Distributor Settlement”), and acting through the undersigned authorized official, hereby elects to participate in the Distributor Settlement, release all Released Claims against all Released Entities, and agrees as follows.

1. The Governmental Entity is aware of and has reviewed the Distributor Settlement, understands that all terms in this Election and Release have the meanings defined therein, and agrees that by this Election, the Governmental Entity elects to participate in the Distributor Settlement and become a Participating Subdivision as provided therein.
2. The Governmental Entity shall, within 14 days of the Reference Date and prior to the filing of the Consent Judgment, dismiss with prejudice any Released Claims that it has filed.
3. The Governmental Entity agrees to the terms of the Distributor Settlement pertaining to Subdivisions as defined therein.
4. By agreeing to the terms of the Distributor Settlement and becoming a Releasor, the Governmental Entity is entitled to the benefits provided therein, including, if applicable, monetary payments beginning after the Effective Date.
5. The Governmental Entity agrees to use any monies it receives through the Distributor Settlement solely for the purposes provided therein.
6. The Governmental Entity submits to the jurisdiction of the court in the Governmental Entity’s state where the Consent Judgment is filed for purposes limited to that court’s role as provided in, and for resolving disputes to the extent provided in, the Distributor Settlement.
7. The Governmental Entity has the right to enforce the Distributor Settlement as provided therein.



8. The Governmental Entity, as a Participating Subdivision, hereby becomes a Releasor for all purposes in the Distributor Settlement, including but not limited to all provisions of Part XI, and along with all departments, agencies, divisions, boards, commissions, districts, instrumentalities of any kind and attorneys, and any person in their official capacity elected or appointed to serve any of the foregoing and any agency, person, or other entity claiming by or through any of the foregoing, and any other entity identified in the definition of Releasor, provides for a release to the fullest extent of its authority. As a Releasor, the Governmental Entity hereby absolutely, unconditionally, and irrevocably covenants not to bring, file, or claim, or to cause, assist or permit to be brought, filed, or claimed, or to otherwise seek to establish liability for any Released Claims against any Released Entity in any forum whatsoever. The releases provided for in the Distributor Settlement are intended by the Parties to be broad and shall be interpreted so as to give the Released Entities the broadest possible bar against any liability relating in any way to Released Claims and extend to the full extent of the power of the Governmental Entity to release claims. The Distributor Settlement shall be a complete bar to any Released Claim.
9. The Governmental Entity hereby takes on all rights and obligations of a Participating Subdivision as set forth in the Distributor Settlement.
10. In connection with the releases provided for in the Distributor Settlement, each Governmental Entity expressly waives, releases, and forever discharges any and all provisions, rights, and benefits conferred by any law of any state or territory of the United States or other jurisdiction, or principle of common law, which is similar, comparable, or equivalent to § 1542 of the California Civil Code, which reads:

General Release; extent. A general release does not extend to claims that the creditor or releasing party does not know or suspect to exist in his or her favor at the time of executing the release that, if known by him or her, would have materially affected his or her settlement with the debtor or released party.

A Releasor may hereafter discover facts other than or different from those which it knows, believes, or assumes to be true with respect to the Released Claims, but each Governmental Entity hereby expressly waives and fully, finally, and forever settles, releases and discharges, upon the Effective Date, any and all Released Claims that may exist as of such date but which Releasors do not know or suspect to exist, whether through ignorance, oversight, error, negligence or through no fault whatsoever, and which, if known, would materially affect the Governmental Entities' decision to participate in the Distributor Settlement.
11. Nothing herein is intended to modify in any way the terms of the Distributor Settlement, to which Governmental Entity hereby agrees. To the extent this Election and Release is interpreted differently from the Distributor Settlement in any respect, the Distributor Settlement controls.



I swear under penalty of perjury that I have all necessary power and authorization to execute this Election and Release on behalf of the Governmental Entity.

DocuSigned by:
Signature: Kevin Timony
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Name: Kevin Timony
Title: Village Manager
Date: 12/15/2021



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1. The Governmental Entity is aware of and has reviewed the Janssen Settlement, understands that all terms in this Election and Release have the meanings defined therein, and agrees that by this Election, the Governmental Entity elects to participate in the Janssen Settlement and become a Participating Subdivision as provided therein.
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I swear under penalty of perjury that I have all necessary power and authorization to execute this Election and Release on behalf of the Governmental Entity

Signed by:
Signature: Kevin Timony
Name: Kevin Timony
Title: Village Manager
Date: 12/15/2021

