## TOWN OF GOLDEN BEACH, FLORIDA

## **RESOLUTION NO. 2793.22**

A RESOLUTION OF THE TOWN COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF GOLDEN BEACH, FLORIDA, AUTHORIZING THE TOWN OF GOLDEN BEACH TO JOIN THE STATE OF FLORIDA AND OTHER LOCAL GOVERNMENTAL UNITS AS A PARTICIPANT IN THE FLORIDA MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING AND FORMAL AGREEMENTS IMPLEMENTING A UNIFIFED PLAN FOR ALLOCATION AND USE OF OPIOID LITIGATION SETTLEMENT PROCEEDS; APPROVING THE TERMS OF THE MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING; AND PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

WHEREAS, the Town of Golden Beach, may have suffered harm as a result of the opioid epidemic; and

WHEREAS, the Town of Golden Beach recognizes that the entire State of Florida has suffered hard as a result of the opioid epidemic; and

WHEREAS, the State of Florida and lawyers representing various local governments involved in the Opioid Litigation have proposed a Florida Memorandum of Understanding (the "MOU") to provide a unified plan for the allocation and use of the prospective settlement dollars from the Opioid Litigation (the Opioid Funds"); and

WHEREAS, the Town of Golden Beach is not a litigating participant in that action and other than through its participation with the State is foreclosed from any opportunity to recover for any losses suffered; and

WHEREAS, the Florida Memorandum of Understanding "the "Florida Plan") sets forth a framework of a unified plan for the proposed allocation and use of opioid settlement proceeds and it is anticipated that formal agreements implementing the Florida Plan will be entered into at a future date; and

WHEREAS, participation in the Florida Plan by a large majority of Florida

cities and counties will materially increase the amount of funds to Florida and should improve Florida's relative bargaining position during additional settlement negotiations; and

WHEREAS, failure to participate in the Florida Plan will reduce funds available to the State, the Town of Golden Beach, and every other Florida city and county.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE TOWN COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF GOLDEN BEACH, FLORIDA, AS FOLLOWS:

<u>Section 1.</u> <u>Recitals Adopted.</u> That each of the above-stated recitals is hereby adopted and confirmed.

<u>Section 2.</u> <u>Authorization of Approval.</u> The approval and execution of the agreement, as described and outlined in the Agenda Item Report attached and incorporated herein, is hereby authorized and approved.

Section 3. Implementation. That the Mayor and Town Manager are authorized to take any and all action which is necessary to implement this Resolution.

<u>Section 4.</u> <u>Effective Date.</u> That this Resolution shall be effective immediately upon adoption.

The Motion to adopt the foregoing resolution was offered by <u>Vice Mayor Lusskin</u>, seconded by <u>Councilmember Einstein</u>, and on roll call the following vote ensued:

Mayor Glenn Singer
Vice Mayor Judy Lusskin
Councilmember Kenneth Bernstein
Councilmember Jaime Mendal
Councilmember Bernard Einstein
Aye

Aye
Absent
Aye

## PASSED AND ADOPTED by the Town Council of the Town of Golden

Beach, Florida, this 18th day of January, 2022.

MAYOR GLENN SINGER

ATTEST:

ASSETTE PEREZ

TOWN CLERK

APPROVED AS TO FORM AND LEGAL SUFFICIENCY:

STEPHEN J. HELFMAN TOWN ATTORNEY