

BILL NO. S-22-11-07

SPECIAL ORDINANCE NO.

**AN ORDINANCE ESTABLISHING THE OPIOID
SETTLEMENT FUNDS**

WHEREAS, on December 18, 2017, Mayor Tom Henry announced the City of Fort Wayne will file a public nuisance lawsuit against opioid distributors to hold accountable the companies responsible for bringing opiates into the community and making the opioid epidemic possible; and,

WHEREAS, on August 2, 2022, the City of Fort Wayne was informed it will receive settlement dollars from this lawsuit; and,

WHEREAS, the settlement dollars will be allocated into abatement (restricted) spending and unrestricted spending; and,

WHEREAS, State Board of Accounts issued the September 2022 Cities and Towns Bulletin stating how the opioid settlement funds should be accounted for; and,

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE COMMON COUNCIL
OF THE CITY OF FORT WAYNE, INDIANA:**

SECTION 1. The Opioid Settlement Unrestricted Fund shall be established for the purpose of holding, accounting for and administering the funds per determined requirements.

SECTION 2. The Opioid Settlement Restricted Fund shall be established for the purpose of holding, accounting for and administering the funds per the settlement agreement from the Courts.

SECTION 3. That this Ordinance shall be in full force and effect from and after its passage and any and all necessary approval by the Mayor.

Council Member

APPROVED AS TO FORM AND LEGALITY

Malak Heiny, City Attorney