

## NIAGARA COUNTY LEGISLATURE NIAGARA COUNTY COURTHOUSE 175 HAWLEY STREET LOCKPORT, NEW YORK 14094-2740

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### **NOTICE FOR A SPECIAL MEETING**

Special Legislature Meeting
Monday, April 17, 2023
6:00 PM
Niagara County Legislature Chambers
Courthouse
Lockport, New York

### Agenda

1. RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING AND APPROVING A SETTLEMENT AGREEMENT TO AN ACTION RELATING TO THE OPIOID CRISIS (CVS, WALMART AND WALGREENS)

Alysa T. Tomasino, Clerk
Niagara County Legislature

#### **NIAGARA COUNTY LEGISLATURE**

FROM: Committee of the Whole		DATE: <u>04/</u>	17/23 RE	RESOLUTION # CW-007-23	
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APPROVED BY CO. ATTORNEY	REVIEWED BY CO. MANAGER	CW - 4/17/23	LEGISLATIVE ACTION Approved: Ayes Abs Noes		
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# RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING AND APPROVING A SETTLEMENT AGREEMENT TO AN ACTION RELATING TO THE OPIOID CRISIS (CVS, WALMART AND WALGREENS)

WHEREAS, there are pending matters in which Suffolk County, Nassau County and the State of New York have engaged in extensive negotiations for settlement agreements ("the Agreements") with CVS, Walmart, and Walgreens, and its subsidiaries regarding the companies' manufacturing and distribution of opioids, and

WHEREAS, the proposed Agreements are New York only settlements, with a share of monies being allocated among governmental subdivisions, and

WHEREAS, political subdivisions in the State, including Niagara County will now have an opportunity to become a party to the CVS, Walmart, and Walgreens settlements, and

WHEREAS, the settlements are a full resolution of governmental claims filed in the state, which will ensure maximum recovery to all; some of the settlement proceeds must be used in a restricted manner on "Approved Uses" only, and

WHEREAS, it is in the best interest of the County of Niagara to resolve these matters with respect to the Distributors without further litigation and execute the CVS, Walmart, and Walgreens Subdivision Participation Agreement Forms and Sharing Agreements to participate and receive a share of the Agreements, now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, that the execution and delivery on behalf of and in the name of the County of Niagara by the Chairman of the Niagara County Legislature, Rebecca J. Wydysh, or her designee, of the proposed Agreements are hereby authorized, and the Chairman of the Niagara County Legislature, Rebecca J. Wydysh, or her designee, is hereby authorized, subject to the approval of the Niagara County Attorney, Claude A. Joerg, and directed to execute the proposed Agreements in a form substantially similar thereto and execute such other documents as may be necessary and appropriate to effectuate the settlements with the Distributors.

COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE