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To The Honorable
Monroe County Legislature
407 County Office Building
Rochester, New York 14614

Subject: Acceptance of Funds from the New York State Office of the Attorney General in Connection with Opioid Settlement with Endo Health Solutions and its Affiliates

Honorable Legislators:

I recommend that Your Honorable Body accept funds from the New York State Office of the Attorney General in the amount of \$654,766.21 in connection with an opioid settlement with Endo Health Solutions and its affiliates entered into by the Attorney General. Under this settlement, the Attorney General will provide Monroe County with additional funds to address the opioid crisis in our community.

Your Honorable Body has previously authorized settlements with several companies accused of fueling the opioid crisis. This payment stems from a settlement reached by the Office of the Attorney General with Endo Health Solutions, an opioid manufacturer and distributor, and its affiliates in 2021.

Under this settlement, New York State, Nassau County, and Suffolk County received a combined \$50 million. New York State is distributing a portion of its proceeds to municipalities, with Monroe County receiving a one-time payment of \$654,766.21. Although the Attorney General reached the settlement with Endo in 2021, payment was delayed because Endo filed for bankruptcy.

As with prior settlements, this payment consists of both funds restricted to use in combating the opioid epidemic and unrestricted funds. However, Monroe County will place all settlement proceeds in a trust fund dedicated to responding to the opioid epidemic and the ongoing harm it is causing our community.

The specific legislative action required is to authorize the County Executive, or his designee, to accept funds from the New York State Office of the Attorney General in the amount of \$654,766.21 and to execute and deliver any and all documents necessary to receive such funds.

The legislative action requested in this referral is not an "Action," as that term is defined in 6 NYCRR § 617.2(b), and is not subject to review under the State Environmental Quality Review Act.

This action is revenue generating and no net County support is required in the current Monroe County budget.

I recommend that this matter be referred to the appropriate committee(s) for favorable action by Your Honorable Body.

Sincerely,

Adam J. Bello
Monroe County Executive