1	<b>RESOLUTION NUMBER 2020-39</b>
2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10 11 12	A RESOLUTION OF THE MAYOR AND COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF PARADISE VALLEY, ARIZONA, RELATING TO AUTHORIZING THE TOWN OF PARADISE VALLEY'S PARTICIPATION IN THE ONE ARIZONA OPIOID SETTLEMENT MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING, A MULTIPARTY STATEWIDE GOVERNMENTAL AGREEMENT RELATED TO THE OPIOID CLASS ACTION SUIT AGAINST PHARMACEUTICAL SUPPLY CHAIN PARTICIPANTS
13	WHEREAS, the Town of Paradise Valley ("Town") received notice on
14	November 3, 2020 from Maricopa County Attorney Allister Adel that Maricopa County
15	and all of the other county attorneys in the State of Arizona ("State") had entered into a
16	memorandum of understanding ("MOU") with the State Attorney General Mark
17	Brnovich, said MOU entitled the "One Arizona Opioid Settlement Memorandum of
18	Understanding"; and
19	WHEREAS, along with a copy of the MOU, the notice from County Attorney
20	Allister Adel encouraged the Town and other cities and towns in Maricopa County (each
21	a "Local Government") to also join the MOU and become part of the "One Arizona Plan"
22	for settling certain class action litigation related to the opioid crisis (against three
23	"Pharmaceutical Supply Chain" defendants, McKesson, Amerisource Bergen, and
24	Cardinal Health, and one manufacturer of opioids, Johnson & Johnson) as well as signing
25	on to receive access to funds that may be used by a Local Government unit for certain
26	"Approved Purposes" that are aimed at stemming the opioid crisis; and
27	WHEREAS, the Town received similar notice on November 8, 2020 from
28	Attorney General Brnovich encouraging all of the cities and Towns in the State to join
29	the MOU; and setting a deadline of December 15, 2020 for the cities and towns to

1 execute the MOU; and

2	WHEREAS, both the initial class action settlement that has been proposed at the
3	national level as well as the "One Arizona Plan" provide incentives for all of the Local
4	Government entities to join the settlements as the lower the Local Government
5	participation level the lesser the settlement amount that would go to Arizona or to the
6	county, cities, and towns in a region (typically a county) that has less than 100%
7	participation; and
8	WHEREAS, the MOU itself states that it is not binding and that the State and
9	each participating Local Government will still need to execute a future "final acceptance"
10	of a future final opioid settlement plan and that each can still decide to not execute a
11	future final settlement and instead pursue its own separate claim; and
12	WHEREAS, the Town of Paradise Valley desires to become a signatory to the
13	MOU and express the Town's intent to seek a settlement (or settlements) with one or
14	more of the national class action defendants, including the manufacturers, suppliers, or
15	sellers of opioids and to share in the settlement proceeds for the stated purposes of abating
16	and alleviating the impacts of the opioid addiction crisis.
17	NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that:
18	1. The One Arizona Opioid Settlement Memorandum of Understanding, a
19	multiparty statewide governmental agreement, including the Town of Paradise Valley,
20	attached hereto as Exhibit A, is approved.
21	2. The Town Attorney is hereby authorized and directed to execute the One
22	Arizona Opioid Settlement Memorandum of Understanding on behalf of the Town.
23	3. The various Town officers and employees are authorized and directed to

1	perform all acts necessary or desirable to give effect to this resolution.
2	4. This resolution shall be in full force and effect immediately upon its
3	adoption.
4	PASSED AND ADOPTED by the Mayor and Council of the TOWN OF
5	PARADISE VALLEY, Arizona, this day of December, 2020.
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8 9	Jerry Bien-Willner, Mayor
10 11 12 13	ATTEST:
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18 19 20 21	APPROVED AS TO FORM:
22 23 24	Andrew M. Miller, Town Attorney