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[Settlement of Unlitigated Claims against CVS Health Corporation and CVS Pharmacy, Inc. - City to Receive Approximately \$4,500,000 to \$12,000,000 Over 10 Years]

Resolution authorizing settlement of unlitigated claims on behalf of the City and County of San Francisco and the People of the State of California against CVS Health Corporation and CVS Pharmacy, Inc. for abatement funds in the range of \$4,500,000 to \$12,000,000 to be paid over 10 years; the claims relate to CVS's allegedly improper and unlawful dispensing of prescription opioids at its pharmacies, which contributed to the epidemic of opioid abuse and misuse and caused a public nuisance.

WHEREAS, CVS Health Corporation, CVS Pharmacy, Inc. and several States have agreed to a national settlement agreement that resolves numerous governments' claims against those entities for CVS's allegedly improper and unlawful dispensing of prescription opioids at its pharmacies, which contributed to the epidemic of opioid abuse and misuse and caused a public nuisance; and

WHEREAS. San Francisco has not filed a lawsuit against CVS Health Corporation or CVS Pharmacy, Inc., but may participate in the CVS national settlement agreement by releasing potential claims against CVS relating to its dispensing of prescription opioids in exchange for payments totaling approximately \$4,500,000 to \$12,000,000; and

WHEREAS, The City Attorney has recommended settlement by releasing potential claims against CVS relating to its dispensing of prescription opioids in exchange for the payment of abatement funds from CVS Health Corporation and CVS Pharmacy, Inc. to San Francisco, in an amount estimated to be between \$4,500,000 to \$12,000,000 over the next 10 years; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That Pursuant to Charter, Section 6.102(5) and Administrative Code, Section 10.24(b), the Board of Supervisors hereby authorizes the City Attorney to settle

potential claims against CVS relating to its dispensing of prescription opioids in exchange for the payment of abatement funds from CVS Health Corporation and CVS Pharmacy, Inc. to San Francisco, in an amount estimated to be between \$4,500,000 to \$12,000,000 over the next 10 years.

APPROVED: RECOMMENDED: **DAVID CHIU** City Attorney's Office City Attorney /s/ SARA J. EISENBERG /s/ DAVID CHIU Chief of Complex and Affirmative Litigation City Attorney n:\cpu\li2023\190034\01657181.docx 

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## Resolution

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March 16, 2023 Government Audit and Oversight Committee - RECOMMENDED

April 04, 2023 Board of Supervisors - CONTINUED

Ayes: 11 - Chan, Dorsey, Engardio, Mandelman, Melgar, Peskin, Preston, Ronen, Safai, Stefani and Walton

April 12, 2023 Board of Supervisors - ADOPTED

Ayes: 8 - Chan, Dorsey, Engardio, Mandelman, Peskin, Preston, Safai and Walton Excused: 3 - Melgar, Ronen and Stefani

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I hereby certify that the foregoing Resolution was ADOPTED on 4/12/2023 by the Board of Supervisors of the City and County of San Francisco.

> Angela Calvillo Clerk of the Board

London N. Breed Mayor