

**A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE
SETTLEMENT OF THE CLAIM OF BRENDA SMITH**

WHEREAS, on November 30, 2021, Brenda Smith filed a Notice of Claim against the City of Mount Vernon, seeking \$90,000.00 in compensation for injuries sustained from an alleged trip and fall at the intersection of 200 Gramatan Avenue on November 24, 2021; and

WHEREAS, Ms. Smith asserts she suffered injuries to her right knee due to an uneven and cracked sidewalk and has experienced intermittent pain since the incident; and

WHEREAS, on December 1, 2022, a federal lawsuit was filed against the City of Mount Vernon on behalf of Ms. Smith; and

WHEREAS, by letter dated April 11, 2025, the Corporation Counsel has recommended settling this claim for \$15,000.00; **NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT**

RESOLVED, that the City of Mount Vernon approves the settlement of Brenda Smith's claim for \$15,000.00; and be it further

RESOLVED, that this amount shall be disbursed from Budget Code A1910.469 (Insurance - Claims) in the 2025 Budget.