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RESOLUTION CALLING FOR TRANSPARENCY IN THE REVIEW OF ATTORNEY FEES AND REIMBURSEMENT OF EXPENSES FOR THE FLINT WATER LITIGATION SETTLEMENT

BY THE MAYOR & FLINT CITY COUNCIL:

Whereas, the Flint community has suffered significant and ongoing trauma as a result of the Flint Water Crisis; and

Whereas, on January 21, 2021, the Honorable Judith Levy granted preliminary approval for settlement of numerous Flint Water Litigation cases, No. 5:16-cv-10444-JEL-MKM, arising out of the City's use of the Flint River from 2014-2015; and

Whereas, on March 8, 2021, Plaintiffs' counsel filed a motion ("Motion") for attorneys' fees and reimbursement of expenses incurred by Co-Lead Class Counsel, Co-Liaison Counsel, and the law firms that have worked with and under their supervision; and

Whereas the Flint community needs transparency at every step of this settlement process including the Court's review of the Motion for attorney fees and, in particular, the reimbursement of expenses; and

Whereas, the Mayor and Flint City Council take no position on the outcome of the Motion, but believe that the public would benefit from an expert, independent review and analysis of the complex and voluminous Motion and its supporting documentation; and

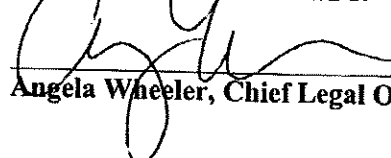
Whereas the Mayor and Flint City Council understand that Judge Levy has the authority to retain a court-appointed expert or appoint a special master to assist the Court and the residents of Flint in evaluating the Motion;

Now, therefore be it resolved, that the Mayor and Flint City Council requests that Judge Levy retain a court-appointed expert or appoint the special master to assist in reviewing the Motion.

FOR THE CITY OF FLINT:


Sheldon A. Neeley, Mayor

APPROVED AS TO FORM:


Angela Wheeler, Chief Legal Officer

APPROVED BY CITY COUNCIL:


Kate Fields, City Council President