

IN THE COUNTY LEGISLATURE OF JACKSON COUNTY, MISSOURI

A RESOLUTION authorizing the settlement of the claims of Earnest Jones in the case styled Earnest Jones v. Jackson County, Missouri, No. 2116-CV01681, now pending in the Circuit Court of Jackson County, Missouri, for a total payment by the County of \$67,500.00.

RESOLUTION NO. 20856, January 24, 2022

INTRODUCED BY Charlie Franklin, County Legislator

WHEREAS, Earnest Jones has filed a lawsuit styled Earnest Jones v. Jackson County, Missouri, No. 2116-CV01681, now pending in the Circuit Court of Jackson County, Missouri, seeking damages for alleged employment discrimination; and,

WHEREAS, after a thorough investigation and negotiations, the County Counselor recommends a settlement in the amount of \$67,500.00, to be paid by the County to Earnest Jones and/or his attorney, Sarah Brown; and,

WHEREAS, the proposed settlement will limit the County's financial obligation in this matter and is in the best interests of the health, safety, and welfare of the citizens of Jackson County; now therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED by the County Legislature of Jackson County, Missouri, that the County Counselor be and hereby is authorized to settle the claims of Earnest Jones by the total payment of \$67,500.00, in full, final, and complete release of all of the claims against the County and all of its employees, officers, agents, and servants, as to any damages incurred; and,

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the County Counselor be and hereby is authorized to execute any and all documents necessary to effect this settlement; and,

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Director of Finance and Purchasing be and hereby is authorized to issue a check or checks in an amount totaling \$67,500.00 in full and complete settlement of this claim, payable to Earnest Jones and/or his attorney Sarah Brown d/b/a Brown & Curry, LLC, pursuant to the specific direction of the County Counselor.

Effective Date: This Resolution shall be effective immediately upon its passage by a majority of the Legislature.

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

[Signature]
Chief Deputy County Counselor

[Signature]
County Counselor

Certificate of Passage

I hereby certify that the attached resolution, Resolution No. 20856 of January 24, 2022, was duly passed on January 24, 2022 by the Jackson County Legislature. The votes thereon were as follows:

Yeas 6

Nays 0

Abstaining 0

Absent 3

1-24-2022
Date

[Signature]
Mary Jo Spino, Clerk of Legislature

There is a balance otherwise unencumbered to the credit of the appropriation to which the expenditure is chargeable and there is a cash balance otherwise unencumbered in the treasury to the credit of the fund from which payment is to be made each sufficient to provide for the obligation herein authorized.

ACCOUNT NUMBER: 060 1101 56380
ACCOUNT TITLE: Self Insurance Fund
County Counselor
Uninsured Claimants
NOT TO EXCEED: \$67,500.00

1/24/2022
Date

[Signature]
Chief Administrative Officer