

**RESOLUTION NO. \_\_\_\_\_**

**WHEREAS**, the federal lawsuit of Christopher Cantu, as the administrator of the Estate of Robert Earl Lawrence v. The City of Dothan, et al., Case No.: 1:16-cv-1003, was filed in the United States District Court for the Middle District of Alabama on December 29, 2016 alleging the excessive use of force which resulted in the police shooting death of Robert E. Lawrence, and

**WHEREAS**, the parties to this lawsuit desire to fully and finally resolve and settle the litigation of this case, and

**WHEREAS**, the Board of Commissioners of the City of Dothan intends to avoid the uncertainty of litigation and its associated expenses, and

**WHEREAS**, the City of Dothan, its past and present officials, employees and agents have denied and continue to deny any liability in this lawsuit but nevertheless desire to buy their peace by this resolution,

**NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED** by the Board of Commissioners of the City of Dothan as follows:

**Section 1.** That all claims of Christopher Cantu, as Administrator of the Estate of Richard Earl Lawrence against the City of Dothan and its past and present officials, employees and agents and the hereinabove litigation be settled in the amount of \$250,000.00, inclusive of attorneys' fees and costs, as approved and directed by the Court, payable to Mr. Cantu and his attorneys.

**PASSED, APPROVED AND ADOPTED** on the 16<sup>th</sup> day of March, 2021.

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Mayor

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Associate Commissioner District 1

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Associate Commissioner District 2

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Associate Commissioner District 3

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Associate Commissioner District 4

ATTEST:

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Associate Commissioner District 5

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Wendy Shiver  
City Clerk

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Associate Commissioner District 6  
*BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS*