

RESOLUTION

No. 21-533Date of Adoption December 2, 2021

Approved as to Form and Legality

Factual content certified by

Wesley Bridges, Director of Law

Adam E. Cruz, Business Administrator

Councilman /woman

CALDWELL-WILSON

presents the following Resolution:

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING SETTLEMENT OF A CIVIL ACTION IN THE MATTER OF ANNETTE VERDUCHI V. CITY OF TRENTON IN THE TOTAL AMOUNT OF \$135,000.00

WHEREAS, Annette Verduchi, commenced a civil suit against the City of Trenton, in Mercer County Superior Court, under Docket No. MER-L-2436-18; and

WHEREAS, the complaint alleged that the plaintiff sustained serious injuries as a direct and proximate result of the, negligence of the Defendants, occurring on or about October 17, 2016; and

WHEREAS, said action has been reviewed and assessed by the City Attorney and the City Attorney is of the opinion that it is in the best interest of the City of Trenton to settle the case in the total amount of \$135,000.00; and

WHEREAS, the parties agree that settlement of this matter does not constitute an admission of any liability; and

WHEREAS, the settlement in the total amount of \$135,000.00 is inclusive of costs and attorney's fees; and

WHEREAS, the Chief Financial Officer has certified that sufficient funds are available in the General Liability Self-Insurance Fund, Account Number 2-01- -80-8070-623, for this purpose; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Trenton City Council that the case of Annette Verduchi v. City of Trenton be disposed of by way of settlement in the total amount of \$135,000.00.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the City Treasurer is hereby authorized to issue a warrant for the payment of \$135,000.00 to the Law Offices of Zarwin, Baum, DeVito, Kaplan, Schaer & Toddy, P.C.. and Annette Verduchi in accordance with the terms of settlement as set forth herein.

	Aye	Nay	Abstain	Absent		Aye	Nay	Abstain	Absent		Aye	Nay	Abstain	Absent
BLAKELEY	✓				MUSCHAL	✓				MCBRIDE		✓		
CALDWELL WILSON	✓				RODRIGUEZ	✓								
HARRISON	✓				VAUGHN	✓								

This Resolution was adopted at a Meeting of the City Council of the City of Trenton on December 2, 2021Kathy McBride
President of CouncilMike
City Clerk

**CITY OF TRENTON
DEPARTMENT OF FINANCE**

CERTIFICATION OF AVAILABILITY OF FUNDS

I, Ron Zilinski, Chief Financial Officer of the City of Trenton, do hereby certify, to the best of my knowledge and belief that there now exist adequate funds to award the settlement in the matter of Annette Verduchi v. City of Trenton, et al bearing Docket Number MER-L-2436-18 in the amount of \$135,000.00. Such funds for said settlement award are available in TY2021 General Liability Self-Insurance Fund, Account Number 2-01- -80-8070-623.

Dated: 11/12/21



Chief Financial Officer

Account Number: 2-01- -80-8070-623 - \$135,000.00