**MEMORIAL PARK DISTRICT**

COOK COUNTY, ILLINOIS

**RESOLUTION**

NUMBER 2023-R09

**A RESOLUTION**

**APPROVING AND AUTHORIZING**

**THE EXECUTION OF AN AGREEMENT FOR**

**HEALTH, DENTAL, VISION,**

**DISABILITY AND LIFE INSURANCE**

**(BLUE CROSS BLUE SHIELD OF ILLINOIS)**

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Park District Board

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President and the Board of Commissioners of Memorial Park District

on this the 19th day of December, 2023

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 **WHEREAS**, the Memorial Park District, Cook County, Illinois, is a Park District organized pursuant to the laws of the State of Illinois (hereinafter referred to as the “Park District”);

 **WHEREAS**, the Memorial Park District (hereinafter referred to as “Park District”) upon approval of the Board of Commissioners may enter into an agreement with another party pursuant to Illinois Statute;

 **WHEREAS**, Alliant/Mesirow Insurance Services (hereinafter referred to as “Broker”) is the Insurance Broker for the Park District;

 **WHEREAS**, Broker on behalf of the Park District has solicited quotes from certain insurance carriers and has negotiated with the Park District’s preferred carrier Blue Cross Blue Shield of Illinois (hereinafter referred to as “BCBS”) in order to obtain the best rate possible for the Park District’s preferred health, dental, vision, disability and life insurance plans; and

 **WHEREAS**, the Memorial Park District Board of Commissioners are of the opinion that it is in the best interests of the Memorial Park District to renew the health and dental insurance with Blue Cross Blue Shield of Illinois for January 1, 2024 – December 31, 2024.

 **NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** by the Board of Commissioners of the Memorial Park District, Cook County, Illinois, in open meeting assembled, hereby adopts the following:

**Section One - Recitals**

 The Board of Commissioners hereby find that all of the recitals hereinbefore stated as contained in the preamble to this resolution are full, true and correct and do hereby, by reference, incorporate and make them part of this resolution as legislative findings.

**Section Two – Approval of Renewal of Health, Dental, Vision, Disability and Life Insurance**

1. The Memorial Park District Board of Commissioners hereby approves the renewal of the health, dental, vision, disability and life insurance policy.
2. The Board of Commissioners further approves the agreement substantially in the form attached hereto and made a part hereof as Exhibit A with such revisions as the Director of Parks and Recreations or his designee deems necessary.

**Section Three – Authorization and Direction**

 The Memorial Park Board of Commissioners hereby authorize the Director of Parks and Recreation to execute any and all documents necessary to effectuate the intent of this resolution, substantially in the form of such agreement attached hereto as Exhibit A, with such changes therein as shall be approved by the Park District Attorney and the officials executing the same, their execution thereof to constitute exclusive evidence of their approval to any and all changes or revisions therein from and after the execution and delivery of such agreement, whether or not such other documents are attached hereto.

**Section Four - Other Actions Authorized**

 The officers, employees and/or agents of the Park District shall take all actions necessary or reasonably required to carry out and give effect to the intent of this resolution and otherwise to consummate the transactions contemplated herein and shall take all actions necessary in conformity therewith including, without limitation, the execution and delivery of all documents required to be delivered in connection with the transaction contemplated herein.

**Section Five - Authorization of Expenditures**

 The Board of Commissioners hereby authorize and direct the expenditure of all costs related to the settlement of the litigation referenced herein. To the extent that any requirement of bidding would be applicable to the transactions contemplated hereunder, the same is hereby waived.

**Section Six - Acts of Park District Officials**

 That all past, present and future acts and doings of the officials of the Park District that are in conformity with the purpose and intent of this resolution are hereby, in all respects, ratified, approved, authorized and confirmed.

**Section Seven – Effective Date**

 This resolution shall be in full force and effect from and after its passage, approval and publication as provided by law.

**Section Eight – Conflict Clause**

 All resolutions, parts of resolutions or board actions in conflict herewith are hereby repealed to the extent of such conflict.

**Section Nine – Saving Clause**

 If any section, paragraph, clause or provision of this resolution is declared by a court of law to be invalid or unconstitutional, the invalidity or unconstitutionality thereof shall not affect the validity of any other provisions of this resolution, which are hereby declared to be separable.

**Section Ten – Recording**

 This resolution shall be entered into the minutes and upon the journals of the Memorial Park District.

The Remainder of this Page has been Intentionally Left Blank / Roll Call Vote to follow:

 **DECIDED** pursuant to a roll call vote as follows:

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| Roll Call Vote: | Ayes | Nayes | Absent |
| Madalyn Arredondo, President |  |  |  |
| Selena Martinez, Vice-President |  |  |  |
| Gwendolyn Evans |  |  |  |
| Brandon Smith |  |  |  |
| Theodore “Ted” Steiskal |  |  |  |
| TOTAL |  |  |  |

 **PASSED AND APPROVED** by the Board of Commissioners of Memorial Park District, Cook County, Illinois, this the 19th day of December, 2023.

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 Madalyn Arredondo

 Board President

Attest:

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Pamela Cobbs

Board Secretary

**STATE OF ILLINOIS )**

 **) SS**

**COUNTY OF COOK )**

 I, Pamela Cobbs, do hereby certify that I am the duly appointed, and qualified Park District Secretary in and for the Memorial Park District, Cook, County, Illinois; that I am the keeper of the files, records, and seal of said Park District, and that the following is a true and correct copy of Resolution No.2023-R09

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adopted and approved by the Board of Commissioners at an official meeting held on December 19, 2023 and that the vote on the motion for adoption was as follows:

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|  | YES | NO | ABSENT | PRESENT |
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| Madalyn Arredondo |  |  |  |  |
| Selena Martinez |  |  |  |  |
| Gwendolyn Evans |  |  |  |  |
| Brandon Smith |  |  |  |  |
| Theodore “Ted” Steiskal |  |  |  |  |
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 I do further certify that the deliberations of the Board on the adoption of said resolution were conducted openly, that the vote on the adoption of said resolution was taken openly, that said meeting was called and held at a specified time and place convenient to the public, that notice of said meeting was duly given to all of the news media requesting such notice, that said meeting was called and held in strict compliance with the provisions of the Open Meetings Act of the State of Illinois, as amended, and with the provisions of the Park District Code of the Memorial Park District, as amended, and that the Board has complied with all of the provisions of said Act and said Code and with all of the procedural rules of the Board.

 I further state that this Certification is issued under my hand and the seal of the Memorial Park District as required in the Illinois Park District Code.

 **IN WITNESS WHEREOF**, I have hereunto set my hand and caused to be affixed the Corporate Seal of said Memorial Park District, Cook County, Illinois on the date set forth herein.

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Pamela Cobbs

Board Secretary

Exhibit A

Agreement