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No. 2023-45
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RESOLUTION TO APPROVE A SETTLEMENT AGREEMENT IN LAWSUITS BROUGHT BY CARMINE FIORE, ET AL, AND THE COALITION FOR ACCESS TO REGULATED & SAFE CANNABIS

WHEREAS, pursuant to Section 10(11) of the Cannabis Law, the Cannabis Control Board (Board) is authorized to exercise the powers and perform the duties in relation to the administration of the Board and the Office of Cannabis Management (Office) as are necessary but not specifically vested by the statute;

WHEREAS, on or about August 2, 2023, Carmine Fiore, William Norgard, Steve Mejia and Dominic Spaccio filed suit (Fiori Action) against the Office, the Office’s Executive Director Chris Alexander, the Board, and Chairwoman Tremaine Wright in the New York State Supreme Court of Albany County entitled *Carmine Fiore, et al v. New York State Cannabis Control Board, et al.*, (Index No. 907282-23);

WHEREAS, on or about March 16, 2023, the Coalition for Access to Regulated & Safe Cannabis filed suit (Coalition Action) against the Office, the Office’s Executive Director Chris Alexander, the Board, and Chairwoman Tremaine Wright in the New York State Supreme Court of Albany County entitled *Coalition for Access to Regulated & Safe Cannabis v. New York State Cannabis Control Board, et al.*, (Index No. 902390-23);

WHEREAS, the parties wish to enter into a Settlement Agreement and Stipulation of Dismissal to resolve the Fiori Action and the Coalition Action without further litigation; now, therefore, be it,

RESOLVED, the Board approves entering into a Settlement Agreement and Stipulation of Dismissal for the Fiori Action and Coalition Action.