

## **ORDINANCE NO. 2022-04**

### **ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE OPERATION OF A MEDICAL CANNABIS DISPENSARY WITHIN THE CORPORATE LIMITS OF THE TOWN OF KILLEN**

**WHEREAS**, on May 17, 2021, the Governor for the State of Alabama signed Darren Wesley 'Ato' Hall Compassion Act into law (the Act); and

**WHEREAS**, the Act provides for the medical use of marijuana for patients with a qualifying medical condition and a valid medical cannabis card; and

**WHEREAS**, a dispensary may only be operated in a municipality if the municipality has passed an ordinance authorizing the operation of dispensaries within the municipality's corporate limits; and

**WHEREAS**, the Act authorizes and requires the Medical Cannabis Commission to heavily regulate dispensary operation, (See, §§20-2A-50 - 20-2A-68, Code of Alabama), thus addressing any health, safety, or welfare concerns for the citizens of the Town of Killen; and

**WHEREAS**, the location of a dispensary within the corporate limits of the Town of Killen will bring the potential for new employment opportunities for the citizens of the Town of Killen; and

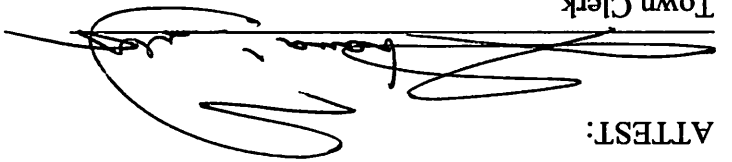
**WHEREAS**, a dispensary would be required to purchase a business license and pay sales tax to the Town of Killen, thus increasing revenue.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE TOWN COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF KILLEN, ALABAMA**, that it authorizes the operation of dispensing sites within the corporate limits of the Town of Killen subject to any applicable zoning restrictions the Town of Killen may adopt pursuant to §20-2A-51(c)(3).

**PASSED, ADOPTED, AND APPROVED** this 6<sup>th</sup> day of September, 2022.

I, Shawna Talbot, Town Clerk of the Town of Killen, Alabama, do hereby certify that the foregoing is a true and correct copy of Ordinance 2022-04 (prepared by Town Clerk), which Ordinance was duly and legally adopted at a regular meeting of the Town Council on this 6<sup>th</sup> day of September, 2022, and the same was duly published as required by law.

Town Clerk



ATTEST:

Mayor

