ORDINANCE NO. 22-739

AUTHORIZING OPERATION OF MEDICAL CANNABIS DISPENSARIES WITIN THE CORPORATE LIMITS OF THE TOWN OF COOSADA

WHEREAS, on May 17, 2021, the Governor for the State of Alabama 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 passed an ordinance authorizing the operation of dispensaries with the municipal limits; and]

WHEREAS the Act authorizes and requires the Medical Cannabis Commission to 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 Coosada; and

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

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF COOSADA, that it authorizes the operation of dispensing sites within the Town of Coosada subject to any applicable zoning restrictions the Town of Coosada may adopt pursuant to \$20-2A-51(c)(3).

APPROVED AND ADOPTED this the 13th day of December, 2022.

James P. Houston, Mayor

Clerk

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