

**RESOLUTION R-2023-75
LUZERNE COUNTY COUNCIL**

*A Resolution by the Luzerne County Council Approving the Settlement of Pending Litigation
in the Matter of Allison Cave v. JoAnne Van Saun*

WHEREAS, Section 4.07 B.3 of the Luzerne County Home Rule Charter Provides the County Manager shall have the authority to recommend the settlement of litigation involving the County, subject to the approval of County Council; and

WHEREAS, the Luzerne County Manager has recommended settlement of the above-captioned litigation; and

WHEREAS, Section 2.09 B.5 of the Luzerne County Home Rule Charter provides that County Council shall have the power to approve, by resolution adopted by a majority vote of the Council members, a recommendation by the County Manager to settle litigation involving the County; and

WHEREAS, Plaintiff brought suit in the Luzerne County Court of Common Pleas at docket no. 6877-CV-2017, alleging defamation, tortious interference and negligent infliction of emotional distress by JoAnne Van Saun while Ms. Van Saun was an employee of Luzerne County; and

WHEREAS, the Plaintiff desires to settle her claims against Luzerne County on behalf of JoAnne Van Saun; and

WHEREAS, Luzerne County Council also desires to resolve the pending litigation in this matter.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, the Luzerne County Council approves the settlement of pending litigation for all claims asserted against Luzerne County in the matter of Allison Cave v. JoAnne Van Saun in the amount of \$30,000.00 pursuant to the terms of a certain Settlement Agreement and General Release of All Claims which is incorporated by reference as though fully set forth herein. This settlement is a full and complete settlement and release of any and all claims by Allison Cave against the County of Luzerne on behalf of JoAnne Van Saun.

This resolution shall become effective six days after adoption.

ADOPTED at a meeting of the Luzerne County Council held June 13, 2023.

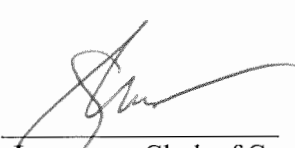
ROLL CALL VOTE (9-1) with (1) ABSTENTION

YES: Bienias, Lescavage, Lombardo, McDermott, McGinley, Mitchell, Perry, K Vough and Wolovich

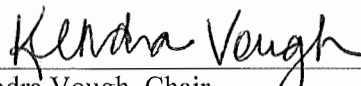
NO: Thornton

ABSTAINED: SJ Urban

Attest:


Sharon Lawrence, Clerk of Council

LUZERNE COUNTY COUNCIL

By: 
Kendra Vough, Chair

LUZERNE COUNTY MANAGER

By: 
Romilda Crocama, Esq., County Manager