



CITY OF OWENS CROSS ROADS ORDINANCE NO. 22-022

AUTHORIZING THE OPERATION OF A MEDICAL CANNABIS DISPENSARY WITHIN THE CORPORATE LIMITS OF THE CITY OF OWENS CROSS ROADS

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 City of Owens Cross Roads; and

WHEREAS, the location of a dispensary within the corporate limits of the City of Owens Cross Roads will bring the potential of hundreds of new employment opportunities for the citizens of the City of Owens Cross Roads; and

WHEREAS, a dispensary would be required to purchase a business license and pay sales tax to the City of Owens Cross Roads, thus increasing revenue.


NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF OWENS CROSS ROADS, ALABAMA, that it authorizes the operation of dispensing sites within the corporate limits of the City of Owens Cross Roads subject to any applicable zoning restrictions the City of Owens Cross Roads may adopt pursuant to §20-2A-51(c)(3).

ADOPTED and APPROVED this 9 day of AUGUST 2022.

ATTEST:



Tony Craig, Mayor



Christie D. Eason, City Clerk



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