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The Honorable
Erie County Legislature
92 Franklin Street
Buffalo, New York 14202

Re: Accept NYSDHSES FY2016 Canine Explosive Grant

Honorable Members:

Attached please find a proposed resolution and accompanying memorandum requesting authorization to accept funding of \$15,000.00 from the New York State Division of Homeland Security and Emergency Services (NYSDHSES). These funds will be allocated to the Sheriff's Office for the purchase of an explosive detection canine and vehicle equipment for the K9.

Representatives of the Sheriff's Office will be available to answer any questions.

Very truly yours,

TIMOTHY B. HOWARD
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Attachments

ACCOMPANYING MEMORANDUM

Re: **Accept NYSDHSES FY2016 Canine Explosive Grant**

I. Summary of Recommended Action

The attached resolution requests authorization for the County Executive to enter into a contract and receive funding of \$15,000.00 from the New York State Division of Homeland Security and Emergency Services to be allocated to the Erie County Sheriff's Office for an explosive detection canine.

II. Fiscal Implications of Proposal

No impact on county tax dollars. Funds will provide for the purchase of the canine and necessary vehicle equipment.

III. Reasons for Recommendation

The Erie County Sheriff's Office has applied for and received a grant from the NYSDHSES to purchase an explosive detection canine. Therefore, the legislature has to authorize the County Executive to enter into an agreement to accept the grant.

IV. Consequence of Negative Action

The County will forfeit \$15,000.00 in funding that would allow the Sheriff's Office to expand its K9 Unit and provide additional public safety.

V. Steps Following Approval of Measure

The County will seek and accept bids for a police work dog. Also, certified copies of this resolution will be forwarded to the County Executive, the County Attorney, the Division of Budget and Management, the Purchasing Department, the Erie County Comptroller's Office and the Erie County Sheriff's Office.

PROPOSED RESOLUTION

Re: **Accept NYSDHSES FY2016 Canine Explosive Grant**

WHEREAS, New York State Division of Homeland Security and Emergency Services (NYSDHSES) has awarded \$15,000.00 to the Erie County Sheriff's Office in funding specifically allocated for an explosive detection canine and vehicle equipment for the canine; and

WHEREAS, there will be no impact on County tax dollars.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT

RESOLVED, that the Erie County Legislature does hereby authorize the County Executive to enter into contract with the New York State Division of Homeland Security and Emergency Services to receive \$15,000.00 in grant funding for the Erie County Sheriff's Office; and be it further

RESOLVED, that authorization is hereby provided to the Division of Budget and Management to establish funding in the Grant Fund 281, as follows:

Erie County Sheriff's Office FY2016 Canine Explosive Grant

| <u>ACCOUNT #</u> | <u>INCREASE</u> |
|--------------------------|------------------------|
| 414000 – Federal Revenue | \$ 15,000.00 |

| <u>ACCOUNT #</u> | <u>INCREASE</u> |
|------------------------------------|------------------------|
| 561410 – Lab & Technical Equipment | \$ 4,900.00 |
| 530000 – Other Expenses | \$ 10,100.00 |

; and be it further

RESOLVED, that the Director of Budget and Management is hereby authorized to adjust grant appropriations and revenues in accordance with the final grantor funding levels or grantor authorized changes to award amounts, provided there are no changes to authorized personnel levels and county share amounts; and be it further

RESOLVED, the Division of Budget and Management is authorized to make any technical adjustments necessary to effectuate this transfer should there be any unforeseen issues; and be it further

RESOLVED, the Erie County Comptroller's Office is hereby authorized to release the designated funds and make payments as necessary; and be it further

RESOLVED, certified copies of this resolution shall be forwarded to the Erie County Executive, Division of Budget and Management, Purchasing Department, the County Attorney's office, Erie County Comptroller's Office, and the Chief of Administration of the Sheriff's Office for implementation.