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New Haven Board of Alders  
165 Church Street  
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Dear Alders,

I am writing to request authorization for the City of New Haven to apply for and accept the 2025 Emergency Management Performance Grant (EMPG) for Fiscal Year 2025.

Each year, the State of Connecticut Department of Emergency Services and Public Protection, Division of Emergency Management and Homeland Security (DEMHS), allocate federal pass-through EMPG funds to municipalities within Region 2 to support local emergency management capabilities. For FY25, New Haven has been allocated \$68,659.50. These funds are used to sustain and enhance the City's all-hazards emergency management mission areas, including preparedness, prevention, response, and recovery.

The EMPG is a reimbursement-based grant with no local match requirement. Funding is provided once the City completes the annual deliverables established by DEMHS, which are carried out by the Office of Emergency Management. These deliverables typically include maintaining emergency plans, participating in regional coordination, conducting training and exercises, and supporting the City's Emergency Operations Center.

Historically, New Haven accepted these funds through the Special Fund Budget Cycle and under the authority of Chapter 11, Civil Emergency Management, Section 11-5 (Cooperation Clause). Beginning last year, the State has asked municipalities to approve EMPG acceptance through an annual order. In accordance with this updated requirement, we respectfully request approval to accept the FY25 EMPG allocation.

Sincerely,

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Emergency Management Director