EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

GRANT NAME: FEMA Port Security Grant Program

DEPARTMENT Office of Emergency Management DATE 9/4/2025

Funding request: \$2,289,980 3-year grant 2025-2028

The 2025 Port Security Grant Program (PSGP) provides \$90 million to enhance port infrastructure security against terrorism and other threats. This program supports state, local, and private sector maritime partners by funding projects aimed at increasing portwide risk management and improving security capabilities.

The City of New Haven has benefitted previously from PSGP in numerous ways. They have received the current Marine 1 vessel via the port grant and in subsequent years received funding for maintenance of that boat. The City has also received significant funding to purchase and install cameras around the Port as well as funding for the system to support all cameras in the City. Additionally, the City has received funding for search and rescue dive team equipment as well as swift water training.

This year the City would like to request funding for four projects. The first is a new Marine 1 vessel. The current vessel is from 2011, and we have been quoted \$200,000 to overhaul the current vessel. A new vessel would eliminate the need to overhaul the current vessel and will minimize the amount of maintenance needed in the future.

Second the City would like to request cameras to replace some that are nearing the end of life. These cameras are currently shared with and monitored by the Coast Guard as well as by New Haven Public Safety Officials.

The third request would include maintenance for the current Marine 1 vessel to keep it operational in the meantime, because even if we were to receive a new Marine 1 vessel, they take about two years to build. Therefore, the current vessel needs to stay operational until then.

The final project request would be for 110 new portable radios to replace the Fire department's radios that will be reaching end of life next year. These radios would be used for any fire department call but are justified in this grant due to their necessity were there to be a fire or rescue operation at any of the New Haven Port terminals or on the water.