

April 10, 2024

The Honorable Tyisha Walker-Myers
President, Board of Alders
City of New Haven
165 Church Street
New Haven, CT 06510

Dear Alder President Walker-Myers,

In accordance with the Order of the Board of Aldermen authorizing the Mayor to apply for and accept all grants on behalf of the City of New Haven, passed October 17, 1994, I am respectfully writing to advise the Honorable Board that the Department of Police Service would like to accept a donation of a bomb dog for the K9 Unit that was purchased for the NHPD by the Lower Connecticut River Valley Council of Governments.

This dog was made available to the Department by Guiding Eyes for the Blind (GEB) in Yorktown Heights, New York. GEB is a non-profit organization established to provide guide dogs to people with vision loss. Dogs are trained in volunteers' homes on basic obedience skills, followed by an evaluation by senior breeding and training staff to determine whether the dog is ready for guide dog training or more suited for another career. The dog chosen by GEB was judged to be in the latter category, and following examination by Bomb Squad staff, was determined to be fit for further training at the NHPD.

Thank you for your consideration in this matter. Please contact me at (203) 946-6333 if you have any further questions.

Sincerely,

Karl Jacobson
Chief of Police