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ORDER OF THE BOARD OF ALDERS OF THE CITY OF NEW HAVEN AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR OF THE CITY OF NEW HAVEN TO APPLY FOR AND ACCEPT A FEDERAL EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT AGENCY/ASSISTANCE TO FIREFIGHTERS GRANT FFY25 OF \$254,181.82 TO PURCHASE AND UPFIT A TACTICAL SUPPORT UNIT TO CONSOLIDATE SPECIALIZED RESCUE EQUIPMENT

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WHEREAS, the City of New Haven through its Department of Fire Services is responsible for containing and extinguishing fires for the 20 square miles boundaries of the City of New Haven; and

WHEREAS, The FEDERAL EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT AGENCY (FEMA) ASSISTANCE TO FIREFIGHTERS GRANT (AFG) offers funds and other resources to communities to aid local departments in fire prevention and response; and

WHEREAS, the Fire Department is requesting funds from FEMA to purchase and upfit a Tactical Support Unit to consolidate specialized rescue equipment currently dispersed across multiple trailers and aging apparatus; and

WHEREAS, these assets will improve response efficiency, enhance responder safety, and ensure compliance with applicable standards; and

WHEREAS, the 2025 Assistance to Firefighters Grant, if awarded, provides federal funding in the amount of \$254,181.82 for the purchase and upfitting of the Tactical Support Unit;

WHEREAS, as a condition of accepting these funds, the City is required to contribute non-federal matching funds equal to or greater than 10 percent of the federal award, totaling \$25,418.18, for a full project budget of \$279,600.00; and

WHEREAS, this funding provides framework and reimbursement for activities necessary for the preparedness, prevention, response, and recovery missions required for the City Department of Emergency Management and Homeland Security; and

WHEREAS, the Fire Department is seeking alternative methods of funding and partnerships to alleviate the burden of the taxpayer; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Alders of the City of New Haven supports efforts to provide and enhance public safety for its firefighters and its community by ensuring that necessary and up to date equipment is put in use whenever possible.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDERED that the Board of Alders of the City of New Haven hereby authorize the Mayor of the City of New Haven to apply for and accept Federal Emergency Management Agency/Assistance to Firefighters Grant (AFG) Funding in the amount of \$254,181.82 to purchase a tactical vehicle to consolidate specialized rescue equipment; and

BE IT FURTHER ORDERED that the Mayor is hereby authorized to execute any and all necessary contracts, revisions, amendments, or modifications to said agreements as deemed necessary or desirable to effectuate the purpose of this order.