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**Title:** ORDER OF THE BOARD OF ALDERS OF THE CITY OF NEW HAVEN AUTHORIZING THE DEPARTMENT OF POLICE SERVICE TO ACCEPT A DONATION OF A BOMB DOG FOR THE K9 UNIT FROM GUIDING EYES FOR THE BLIND, PAID FOR BY THE LOWER CONNECTICUT RIVER VALLEY COUNCIL OF GOVERNMENTS.

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7/1/2024	1	Board of Alders	Passed	
6/3/2024	1	Board of Alders	Noted	
5/21/2024	1	Public Safety Committee	Favorable Report	
5/6/2024	1	Board of Alders	Referred	

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WHEREAS, the City of New Haven through its Department of Police Service (NHPD) seeks to promote community policing strategies that maintain public safety; and  
WHEREAS, Guiding Eyes for the Blind (GEB) is a non-profit organization in New York which trains dogs for guide dog work; and,

WHEREAS, GEB will release a dog to the Department for law enforcement work in the Hazardous Devices Unit; and,

WHEREAS, the NHPD's Hazardous Devices Unit (HDU) currently consists of four NHPD officers and two Yale University officers and two dogs. It is responsible for responding to suspicious packages and post blast incidents, rendering safe explosives, IEDs, booby traps, and chemical, biological, and radiological weapons of mass destruction. Additional responsibilities include providing dignitary protection, conducting proactive explosive detection sweeps and educating first responders; and ,

WHEREAS, there has been an increase in requests for assistance by the HDU, so an additional dog will provide much needed assistance; and,

WHEREAS, the new dog and her handler will complete training at the Connecticut State Police Canine Academy; and,

WHEREAS, the NHPD is grateful for this gift; and,

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT ORDERED THAT the Board of Alders of the City of New Haven supports resources that benefit the NHPD; and

BE IT FURTHER ORDERED THAT the Board of Alders of the City of New Haven authorizes the Mayor to accept this gift of a bomb dog from GEB.