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Legislation Text

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RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF ALDERS OF THE CITY OF NEW HAVEN AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR OF THE CITY OF NEW HAVEN TO SUBMIT AN APPLICATION TO THE STATE OF CONNECTICUT OFFICE OF POLICY AND MANAGEMENT IN AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$125,000.00 TO PROVIDE OVERTIME FOR COVID-19 MITIGATION AND RESPONSE EFFORTS, INCLUDING VIOLENT CRIME REDUCTION, AND TO ACCEPT SUCH FUNDS AND TO EXECUTE ALL DOCUMENTS AND CONTRACTS AS NECESSARY.

WHEREAS, the City of New Haven through its Department of Police Service adopted and implemented a community policing philosophy that supports collaboration among sworn officers and the community to reduce crime and improve public safety; and

WHEREAS, the City of New Haven has experienced, as of the end of October 2020, a 47.2% increase in shots fired, 31.3% increase in victims assaulted with a firearm, and a 125% increase in homicides over the same period in 2019; and

WHEREAS, the State of Connecticut is offering funds to New Haven to support law enforcement efforts to respond to increases in crime, particularly violent crime, resulting from the COVID-19 pandemic, which will improve public safety;

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Board of Alders of the City of New Haven supports efforts to improve law enforcement capabilities to reduce violent crime and improve public safety; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT the Board of Alders of the City of New Haven authorizes the Mayor of the City of New Haven to apply for funds offered by the State of Connecticut Office of Policy and Management in amount not to exceed \$125,000.00 and to accept such funds and to execute all documents and contracts as necessary.