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Ms. Monica DiCostanzo Chair, Fiscal Committee Board of Representatives 888 Washington Boulevard Stamford, CT. 06904

Dear Chair DiCostanzo:

I am writing this letter to notify your committee of the Stamford Police Department's intention to utilize funding under the Edward Byrne Justice Assistance Grant (JAG) FY 2019 Local Solicitation Formula Program. The City of Stamford has been allocated \$41,884 under this solicitation. Grant regulations stipulate that the City's governing body be notified of the proposed use of funds prior to submitting the application. Please note that no action is required at this time. The request for appropriation of the grant funds will be presented to the Fiscal Committee at a later date.

The Stamford Police Department intends to utilize grant funding to purchase equipment necessary to enhance tactical, in-field and training operations for several specialty units such as the Special Response Team (SRT), Bomb Squad, K-9 Unit, Collision and Reconstruction Unit (CARS) as well as investigative and patrol efforts in the Police Department. These equipment enhancements will enable our officers to utilize the most efficient methods to secure public safety. A complete list of all equipment items will provided to the Fiscal Committee during the appropriation process. Please note that 100% of project costs will be covered by the grant.

I encourage the Fiscal Committee to lend its support to this project. Should you or any board member have a question concerning this matter, please feel free to contact me directly at (203) 977-4413.

Respectfully,

Jim Matheny

Assistant Chief of Police