

City of Berlin NEW HAMPSHIRE

In the Year of Our Lord Two Thousand Twenty-Four

A **RESOLUTION** authorizing the Berlin Police Commission to apply for and accept funds in the amount of \$45,000 from the NH Department of Safety for the State Homeland Security Grant Intelligence Liaison Officer (ILO) Program for Fiscal Year 2025.

Resolved by the City Council of the City of Berlin as Follows:

WHEREAS the *National Strategy for Information Sharing* emphasizes the importance of fusion centers in facilitating the exchange of threat-related information between federal, state, and local governments; and

WHEREAS Implementing the Recommendations of 9/11 Commission Act amended the Homeland Security Act of 2002 by adding Section 210A (State, Local, and Regional Fusion Center Initiative) requiring the Secretary of Homeland Security to share threat-related information with states through fusion centers; and

WHEREAS many states and major urban areas have established information fusion centers for the gathering, analysis, and dissemination of law enforcement, homeland security, public safety, and terrorism information; and

WHEREAS grant funds are available to continue the ILO program in support of the information sharing activities of the New Hampshire Information and Analysis Center (NHIAC) in order to gather and disseminate threat-related information while ensuring privacy and civil rights and civil liberties are respected and protected; and

WHEREAS continuation of the Intelligence Liaison Officer (ILO) program is a vital component of an information and intelligence sharing network, as ILOs serve as the primary conduits for gathering relevant, unevaluated information concerning homeland security threats as well as other specified precursor crimes; and

WHEREAS the NH Department of Safety will provide grant funds for the purpose of sustaining an ILO to improve and maintain the effective exchange of threat-related information between local agencies and the NHIAC in a manner that respects and protects privacy and civil rights and civil liberties.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the City Council of the City of Berlin, NH, that the Berlin Police Commission is authorized to apply for and accept NH Department of Safety ILO Program funds. Said funds granted to the City of Berlin will be used for the purpose of meeting the expenses directly included in the purpose of the grant during Fiscal Year 2025. Be it further resolved that the City Manager is authorized to sign the grant documents and execute all things necessary to effectuate the grant.

This Resolution shall be in full force and effect from and after passage.

PASSED:

Date

APPROVED:

Robert Cone, Mayor

ATTEST:

Shelli Fortin, City Clerk