Wilmington, Delaware November 18, 2021

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Sponsor:

Council Member Walsh WHEREAS, pursuant to Section 2-363 of the City Code, the Council deemed it necessary and proper to specify the requirements for review and approval of City-sponsored grant applications and proposals, including authorization for expedited grant applications when necessary prior to Council's approval by resolution; and

WHEREAS, the City, through the Wilmington Police Department, has submitted a grant application to the United States Department of Justice, Edward Byrne Memorial Justice Assistance Grant Program; and

WHEREAS, the Police Department is eligible for \$219,891.00 in grant funding, which would be used to cover the salary for a civilian cold case investigator in addition to overtime costs as part of overall violent crime reduction efforts; and

WHEREAS, the proposed grant funds would cover expenses that would otherwise have to be covered by the Police Department's annual budget, continuing the Police Department's efforts to identify funding opportunities to offset increases to the City budget; and

WHEREAS, no local matching funds are required; and

WHEREAS, the Council deems it necessary and proper to authorize the grant application, for the aforesaid purpose.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WILMINGTON that the Wilmington Police Department's grant application to the United States Department of Justice Edward Byrne Memorial Justice Assistance Grant Program in the amount of \$219,891.00 is hereby authorized.

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that the Chief of Police, or designee, shall be authorized to take all necessary actions to accept any and all funds associated with the grant application and to fulfill the grant requirements.

Passed by City Council,
ATTEST:City Clerk

**SYNOPSIS:** This Resolution authorizes the Wilmington Police Department's grant application to the United States Department of Justice Edward Byrne Memorial Justice Assistance Grant Program for \$219,891.00 in grant funding. The proposed grant funds would be used to cover the salary for a civilian cold case investigator and overtime costs as part of overall violent crime reduction efforts. No local matching funds are required.

**FISCAL IMPACT STATEMENT:** There is no negative fiscal impact to the City because no local matching funds are required by this grant.

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