

**CITY OF HARTFORD  
COUNTY OF VAN BUREN  
STATE OF MICHIGAN**



**RESOLUTION 2023 - 026**

**ESTABLISH HARTFORD POLICE DEPARTMENT RESERVE UNIT PROGRAM**

At a Regular meeting of the City of Hartford Commission at 19 West Main Street called to order by Mayor Richard A. Hall on October 23, 2023 at 7:30pm.

The following resolution was offered:

Moved by Commissioner \_\_\_\_\_ and supported by Commissioner \_\_\_\_\_.

**WHEREAS**, the City Council of the City of Hartford wishes to create within the City of Hartford Police Department a Police Reserve Unit Program: and

**WHEREAS**, the members of which shall be appointed by the Chief of Police or their designated agent and shall serve as long as the Chief of Police shall direct or until any such member submits their resignation. Such Police Reserve Unit, which serves without compensation, shall assist and aid the regular Police Force of the City; and

**WHEREAS**, within the Police Reserve unit there shall be a sergeant of the unit who, subject to the orders and control of the Chief of Police, shall supervise the reserve unit. The Sergeant shall be appointed by the Chief of Police. The Police Reserve unit shall have such subordinate ranks to the Sergeant as the Chief of Police may determine. A Police Reserve Coordinator and Training Officer may be appointed by the Chief of Police; and

**WHEREAS**, the Police Reserve unit shall be comprised of not more than twenty-two (22) qualified members. Such members shall be not less than twenty-one (21) years of age at the time of appointment, and shall have such other qualifications as the appointing authority may determine. At the discretion of the appointing authority, a screening board may be created to determine the qualifications herein mentioned. Such screening board shall consist of at least three (3) members including at least: (a) the Chief of Police; (b) the Police Reserve Coordinator; and upon their appointment, (c) the Sergeant of the Police Reserve Unit; and

**WHEREAS**, the Police Reserve Officers shall have limited Police powers while on duty and while under the control and direction of the Chief of Police or their designated agent. At the discretion of the Chief of Police, the Reserve Officers may be armed and shall perform such Police duties as may be assigned by the Chief of Police of their designated agent, and then only when dressed in the prescribed uniform. Police Reserves shall be available for any departmental duties as the Chief of Police may determine. Such duties shall be performed only within the City limits or on property outside the city limits which is owned by the City; and

**WHEREAS**, the Chief of Police shall prescribe rules and regulations for the conduct, control and administration of the Police Reserve unit. Each unit member's record shall be subject to inspection and review at one-year intervals by the Chief of Police. Members of the Police Reserve unit shall obey all lawful orders of any member of the Police Department; and

**WHEREAS**, the Chief of Police shall prescribe the uniform to be worn by the Reserve Officers. Any uniform thus prescribed shall be clearly distinguishable from the uniform worn by the regular Police employees of the City Police Department. The Police Department shall provide such uniforms and equipment as the Chief of Police may deem necessary and proper; and

**WHEREAS**, the City shall provide coverage for each member of the police reserve unit under worker's compensation.

**NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED**, The City of Hartford Police Department Reserve Unit Program is Established.

YEAS: Commissioners

NAYS:            ABSENT:

RESOLUTION DECLARED ADOPTED

DATE: October 23, 2023

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RoxAnn Rodney-Isbrecht, City Clerk

I RoxAnn Rodney-Isbrecht, Clerk for the City of Hartford, do hereby certify that the foregoing is a true copy of a Resolution duly adopted by the City Commission of the City of Hartford during a meeting held on October 23, 2023  
Date:, 2023

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RoxAnn Rodney-Isbrecht, City Clerk  
City of Hartford 19 West Main Street, Hartford MI 49057