October 20, 2025

## Resolution Supporting Randolph's Police Officers and First Responders and Condemning Violence Against Those Who Serve

Whereas, in the early morning hours of October 5, 2025, a group of masked individuals engaged in a dangerous and unlawful street takeover in several communities, including the Town of Randolph; and

Whereas, Randolph Police Officers responding to this incident were engulfed by crowds who interfered with their response to the scene, battered their vehicles and set off fireworks around and under their police cruisers; and

Whereas, this incident underscores the real dangers faced by the men and women who wear the uniform - police officers, firefighters, and emergency medical personnel - who put themselves in harm's way every day to keep our Town safe; and

Whereas, these individuals perform difficult and often dangerous work with professionalism and dedication, deserving the full support and gratitude of the communities they serve; and

Whereas, the families of our first responders also carry the weight of this sacrifice, hoping each day that their loved ones will return home safely; and

Whereas, our Town's strength and public trust depend on standing firmly with those who protect and serve while ensuring that violence and lawlessness are never tolerated;

Now, therefore, be it resolved, that the Randolph Town Council stands in full support of all Randolph Police Officers, Firefighters, EMS Personnel, and other First Responders; condemns in the strongest terms all acts of violence or intimidation directed toward them; and calls for full accountability for those responsible for the October 5<sup>th</sup> takeover.

Be it further resolved, that the Town Council reaffirms its commitment to ensuring Randolph's First Responders have the resources, respect, and protection they need to do their jobs safely, and to support them, such that their families know this Town stands with them, today and always.