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Honorable Members of the City Council *Through the Office of the Mayor* City Hall- Roosevelt Square Mount Vernon, New York 10550

Subject: Training – Two (2) Officers to attend REID Technique of Investigative Interviewing and Advanced Interrogation Techniques Course

Dear Honorable Council Members,

This letter respectfully requests that legislation be enacted to authorize two (2) Members of Service to attend the *REID Technique of Investigative Interviewing and Advanced Interrogation Techniques Course*, scheduled to be held at the Westchester County Police Academy, located at 2 Dana Road, Valhalla, NY 10595, from December 1, 2025, through December 4, 2025.

Both Members of Service have been newly assigned to the Detective Division and have shown commendable dedication in adjusting to their new responsibilities. Participation in this course will enhance their investigative capabilities by providing essential skills in interviewing techniques, behavioral analysis, and interrogation strategies.

Considering recommendations issued during the most recent Department of Justice investigation, which emphasized the importance of continued professional development and specialized training, we respectfully request approval for these Members of Service to attend this course.

The total cost for the training will not exceed \$1,260.00 and will be funded through budget line A3120.451 (Training). Additionally, both Members of Service will require authorization to utilize a Department vehicle for travel to and from the training site.

Cc: Mayor Comptroller Law Department Should this request meet with the approval of Your Honorable Body, we respectfully ask that the necessary legislation be enacted.

Sincerely,

David Gibson

Commissioner of Public Safety