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July 22, 2026

Honorable City Council Members
City of Mount Vernon
1 Roosevelt Square
Mount Vernon, NY 10550

RE: 2026 NATIONAL NIGHT OUT EVENT

Honorable Councilmembers:

This Department of Public Safety requests the Honorable Members of the City Council enact legislation that would enable the department to host its annual **National Night Out** event on Tuesday August 4, 2026 from 5:00pm to 8:00pm at Hartley Park located at 215 Gramatan Avenue, Mount Vernon, NY 10550.

National Night Out is designed to heighten crime and drug prevention awareness, generate support for local anti-crime efforts, strengthen neighborhood spirit and police-community partnerships and send a message to criminals letting them know neighborhoods are committed to stopping crime. Community/business support and donations make this event possible and very successful in Mount Vernon.

This community event is held annually across the country and is held on the first Tuesday of August from 5:00pm to 8:00pm. In Mount Vernon we hold the event at Hartley Park, if in the event of bad weather then it is held the day after. We ask that the City Council memorialize National Night Out to occur in perpetuity so it can always be celebrated into the future for the community.

Should this request meet with your approval, we kindly ask that legislation be enacted to grant authorization for this event and in perpetuity for the first Tuesday of August each and every year.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Marcel Olifiers".

Marcel Olifiers

Acting Commissioner/Chief of Operations