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September 29, 2025

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

**RE: Request for Authorization to attend Female Enforcers Event- Peak Performance,
Force Readiness & Personal Resilience Course**

Dear Honorable Council Members,

The Department of Public Safety respectfully requests that legislation be enacted to authorize **four (4) Members of Service** to attend Female Enforcers Event – Peak Performance, Force Readiness & Personal Resilience course, scheduled for **November 13 and November 14, 2025**. The training will be held at **Dutchess County Emergency Response, located at 392 Creek Road, Poughkeepsie, NY**.

This training is designed to equip female law enforcement officers with the specialized tactical skills and personal strategies necessary to excel in today's demanding environment. It will address both the physical and the holistic challenges faced by women in law enforcement, fostering a community of shared experience and practical solutions.

The cost of the course is **\$359 per participant, \$329 per participant for a group of four or more for a total of \$1,316 for four members**. These expenses will be covered through Budget Line **A3120.451 (Training)**. Additionally, we request authorization for the use of a department vehicle for travel purposes.

Should this request meet with the approval of Your Honorable Body, we ask that legislation be enacted to authorize attendance and participation in this training.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read "Marcel Olifiers", is written over the name and title.

Marcel Olifiers
Chief of Public Safety