



City of North Port

RESOLUTION NO. 2022-R-37

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY OF NORTH PORT, FLORIDA, APPROVING THE EXPENDITURE OF \$10,000 OF FORFEITURE FUNDS TO THE FLORIDA FBI NATIONAL ACADEMY ASSOCIATES, INC., FOR ITS RE-TRAINER CONFERENCE TO PROVIDE TRAINING FOR ATTENDING MEMBERS; PROVIDING FOR INCORPORATION OF RECITALS; PROVIDING FOR CONFLICTS; PROVIDING FOR SEVERABILITY; AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

WHEREAS, the North Port Police Department (“NPPD”) is a law enforcement agency that serves and protects the community and the City of North Port, Florida; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to Florida Statutes Section 932.7055, the proceeds of property seized by NPPD are deposited in a special law enforcement trust fund (“forfeiture funds”); and

WHEREAS, Florida Statutes Section 932.7055 allows the use of forfeiture funds for certain purposes, including but not limited to crime prevention, safe neighborhood, drug abuse education and prevention programs, or other certain law enforcement purposes, provided that the City Commission grants authorization for the expenditure; and

WHEREAS, the Florida FBI National Academy Associates, Inc. (“FBINAA”), is a non-profit organization of 16,000+ senior law enforcement professionals dedicated to providing our communities, states, countries, and profession with the highest degree of law enforcement expertise, training, education and information; and

WHEREAS, the FBINAA will be hosting its 75th Anniversary Re-Trainer Conference July 11-14, 2022, in Sarasota County for approximately 150 to 200 active and retired FBINAA graduates from across the State of Florida, to provide training and networking for attending members; and

WHEREAS, the costs associated with seminars at the Re-Trainer Conference are usually generated through donations from state law enforcement agencies through the donation of forfeiture funds; and

WHEREAS, the City Commission of the City of North Port, Florida finds that this resolution serves the public health, safety, and welfare of the citizens of the City of North Port.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF NORTH PORT, FLORIDA:

SECTION 1 – INCORPORATION OF RECITALS

1.01 The above recitals are true and correct and are incorporated in this resolution by reference.

SECTION 2 – RESOLUTION

2.01 The Chief of Police has presented his written certification, attached as Exhibit “A,” that the use of forfeiture funds pursuant to this resolution is in compliance with Florida Statutes Section 932.7055(5).

2.02 The City Commission for the City of North Port, Florida finds that the requested use of forfeiture funds by the Chief of Police complies with the requirements of Florida Statutes Section 932.7055(5), in that the funds will not be used to meet normal operating expenses of the NPPD and will instead further crime prevention, safe neighborhood, and/or drug abuse prevention.

2.03 The City Commission for the City of North Port, Florida authorizes the expenditure of ten thousand dollars (\$10,000) from the forfeiture fund for the purpose of the re-trainer conference being held in July 2022 in Sarasota, Florida.

SECTION 3 – CONFLICTS

3.01 In the event of any conflict between the provisions of this resolution and any other resolution, in whole or in part, the provisions of this resolution will prevail to the extent of the conflict.

SECTION 4 – SEVERABILITY

4.01 If a court of competent jurisdiction finds that any section, subsection, sentence, clause, phrase, or provision of this resolution is for any reason invalid or unconstitutional, that provision will be deemed a separate, distinct, and independent provision and will not affect the validity of the remaining portions of the resolution.

SECTION 5 – EFFECTIVE DATE

5.01 This resolution takes effect immediately.

ADOPTED by the City Commission of the City of North Port, Florida, in public session on June 28, 2022.

CITY OF NORTH PORT, FLORIDA

PETE EMRICH
MAYOR

ATTEST

HEATHER TAYLOR, MMC
CITY CLERK

APPROVED AS TO FORM AND CORRECTNESS

AMBER L. SLAYTON
CITY ATTORNEY

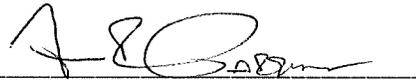
EXHIBIT A
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CERTIFICATION FOR USE OF FORFEITURE FUNDS

In my capacity as the Chief of Police for the City of North Port Police Department, I hereby request that the City Commission authorize the expenditure of ten thousand dollars (\$10,000) from the forfeiture fund for the purpose of funding the Florida FBI National Academy Association ("FBINAA") Re-Trainer Conference being held in July 2022 in Sarasota, Florida.

The Florida FBINAA, the Sarasota County Sheriff's Office, and the North Port Police Department are hosting the 2022 FBINAA Re-Trainer Conference July 11-14, 2022, in Sarasota County. This is the 75th Anniversary Conference for the FBINAA. Approximately 150 to 200 active and retired FBINAA graduates from across the state of Florida will attend this conference. The Re-Trainer Conference will provide training and networking for attending members. The costs associated with hosting the training seminars for this conference are usually generated through donations from state law enforcement agencies. The most common funding source used by agencies is a donation of forfeiture funds, a legally permitted and acceptable use of forfeiture funds.

I hereby certify that the use of forfeiture funds for the above-stated purpose complies with the provisions of Florida Statutes Section 932.7055(5). These funds will not be used to meet normal operating expenses of the North Port Police Department and will instead further crime prevention, safe neighborhood, and drug abuse prevention.



Chief Todd R. Garrison