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## CITY OF BROOK PARK, OHIO

RESOLUTION NO: 19-2023

INTRODUCED BY: MAYOR ORCUTT& C/W

## A RESOLUTION

EXPRESSING THANKS TO THE DONORS FOR OUR NEW K9 UNIT FOR THE BROOK PARK POLICE DEPARTMENT, AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY

WHEREAS, the Danny Ripepi Memorial Foundation, SRT K9 Unit Foundation, Ed Ripepi, Excel K-9, Brady's K9 Fund, Blue Line Unlimited, and VCA Midpark Animal Hospital generously donated funds to restart our Brook Park Police K9 Unit; and

WHEREAS, SRT K9 Unit, owned by Ed Ripepi of Ripepi Funeral Homes, is an organization made of handler and dog teams. SRT K9 Unit is dedicated to search, rescue and recovery. SRT K9 Unit donated Odin (our new Police Officer canine) and the cage for the car; and

WHEREAS, Excel K-9 is committed to the community, making it safer and more secure. Excel K-9 believes in being a valued neighbor in the community. Excel K-9 educates students in schools on a volunteer basis and works with other community-based organizations to give back. Excel K-9 conducted all the training and certification of the dog and the handler; and

WHEREAS, Brady's K9 Fund provides lightweight ballistic vests to working K9s. They have provided hundreds of live-saving ballistic vests to dogs across the county. Brady's K9 Fund provided the vest, the hot and pop, as well as coordinating services with the other agencies; and

WHEREAS, Blue Line Unlimited provides assistance to first responders and their families in the way of benefits, training, education and equipment. Blue Line Unlimited donated \$2,000.00 to use for K9 training and equipment; and

WHEREAS, VCA Midpark Animal Hospital is a hometown veterinary clinic in Brook Park that is made up of dedicated individuals whose mission is to help pets live long and healthy lives. VCA Midpark Animal Hospital is providing veterinarian services for Odin at a discounted rate; and

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BROOK PARK CITY COUNCIL

WHEREAS, the Mayor and this Council wish to sincerely thank all of these donors for their contributions; the K9 Unit will help keep our City safe and provide valuable law enforcement help for our officers out in the field.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Council of the City of Brook Park, State of Ohio, that:

SECTION 1: The Council of the City of Brook Park hereby directs the Clerk of Council to send a copy of this Resolution to each of the donors.

SECTION 2: It is found and determined that all formal actions of this Council concerning and relating to the adoption of this Ordinance were adopted in an open meeting of this Council, and that all deliberations of this Council and of any of its committees that resulted in such formal action were in meetings open to the public in compliance with all legal requirements, including Section 121.22 of the Ohio Revised Code.

SECTION 3: This Resolution is hereby declared to be an emergency measure immediately necessary for the preservation of the public peace, health, safety and welfare of said City, and for the further purpose of thanking the donors for providing funds for our K9 Unit; therefore provided this ordinance receives the affirmative vote of at least five (5) members elected to Council. It shall take effect and be in force immediately upon its passage and approval by the Mayor; otherwise, from and after the earliest period allowed by law.

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PASSED: Octobe	r 17, 2023	THE SIDEN	Menhio TOF COUNCIL	
Carol Johnson, Clerk of Count Park, Ohio, do hereby certify true and accurate copy of O	that the foregoing in a	APPROVED:	MAYOR 22	ently
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