

**RESOLUTION NO. \_\_\_\_\_**  
**October 20, 2020**

**A RESOLUTION SUPPORTING A REDUCTION IN THE BUDGET OF THE HUDSON  
POLICE DEPARTMENT AND AN INVESTMENT IN ALTERNATIVES TO PUBLIC  
SAFETY**

**WHEREAS**, on June 15, 2020, Mayor Kamal Johnson issued Executive Order No. 21-20 entitled "Regarding City of Hudson Police Reforms"; and

**WHEREAS**, the Executive Order set forth, *inter alia*, a goal of reducing the budget of the Hudson Police Department by 10 percent; and

**WHEREAS**, the 2020 adopted operating budget of the Hudson Police Department is \$3,061,304; and

**WHEREAS**, the total costs associated with the Hudson Police Department for 2020 when accounting for pensions and benefits, are approximately \$4,851,048; and

**WHEREAS**, investments can be made in public safety alternatives other than traditional police practices that can result in long-term savings for the City of Hudson through reduction in the demand for regular police services; and

**WHEREAS**, the Common Council acknowledges that certain costs associated with the Hudson Police Department are governed by collective bargaining agreements and may not be able to altered in the 2021 City budget; and

**WHEREAS**, the City of Hudson Board of Estimate and Apportionment is in the process of preparing the 2021 City budget.

**NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED**, that the Common Council urges the Board of Estimate and Apportionment to aim for a 13% reduction in the Hudson Police Department operating budget from the department's total 2020 expenditure (\$630, 636) and direct approximately \$300,000 of that savings into a budget line that can be spent on developing new initiatives and programs supporting public safety that are different from traditional policing strategies.

Introduced: \_\_\_\_\_

Seconded: \_\_\_\_\_

Approved: \_\_\_\_\_  
Kamal Johnson, Mayor

Dated: \_\_\_\_\_