

Township of West Milford

Passaic County, New Jersey

~ Resolution 2024 – 358 ~

RESOLUTION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF WEST MILFORD, COUNTY OF PASSAIC AND STATE OF NEW JERSEY AUTHORIZING THE ACCEPTANCE OF GRANT FUNDS AWARDED TO THE POLICE DEPARTMENT FROM THE PATRICK LEAHY BULLETPROOF VEST PARTNERSHIP (BVP)

WHEREAS, since 1999, the BVP program has awarded more than 13,000 jurisdictions a total of \$573 million in federal funds for the purchase of over 1.5 million vests; and

WHEREAS, the Police Department has a policy that all Police Officers are required to wear bulletproof vests; and

WHEREAS, it is the obligation of the Police Department to purchase vests for newly hired officers and to replace outdated and/or expired vests; and

WHEREAS, annually the Police Department applies for the BVP grant through the U.S. Department of Justice; and

WHEREAS, bulletproof vests costs are perpetual and ongoing for the entirety of a Police Officer's career, and by participating in this program the Police Department can reduce the costs of equipping officers with this required and expensive equipment; and

WHEREAS, the Police Department was awarded \$7,278.97 in 2024; and

WHEREAS, the grant will reimburse the Police Department for up to 50% of the cost of bulletproof vests that are purchased; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Township Council of the Township of West Milford hereby authorizes the acceptance of grant funds awarded to the Police Department from the Patrick Leahy Bulletproof Vest Partnership (BVP) in the amount of \$7,278.97.

Adopted: October 16, 2024

Adopted this 16th day of October, 2024
and certified as a true copy of an original.

William Senande, Township Clerk