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To: Honorable Mayor and City Council **From:** John G. Thomas – Deputy Chief

Re: Reimbursement from the Granite United Way to the Police Department for

computer related purchases.

Date: September 17, 2021

The Granite United Way has advised the Police Department that in an effort to support the Department's Adverse Childhood Experiences Response Team (ACERT) the Granite United Way will provide reimbursement for the purchase of a laptop/mobile computer along with software and upgrades necessary to be utilized in the field.

The ACERT Program is designed to establish a team approach to serve and offer resources to children who have been exposed to violence. ACERT teams include members of law enforcement, mental health providers, social workers and crisis counselors. The team responds to incidents where children may have been exposed to violence, assess the situation, and then determine next steps that can be taken for the child to include support groups, mental health counseling, early childhood education, or child-parent psychotherapy. The ACERT Program has been in place for approximately two years and has been highly successful.

As the team works predominantly in the field, there is a necessity for a laptop/mobile computer that will meet the needs for this type of environment. The computer to be purchased will be the same as the mobile computers currently placed in Concord Police Department cruisers and will include all software and other upgrades necessary to be utilized in the field. The cost of this computer, software and other options is estimated to be \$5,173.22.

The Police Department will purchase this computer utilizing funds in the Department's FY22 operating budget. The reimbursement provided by the Granite United Way will be deposited into one of the Department's Revenue Accounts. If necessary, near the end of the fiscal year and based upon expenditures for the year, a supplemental appropriation will be made to the Police Department in an amount up to that provided by this Granite United Way reimbursement.