## **RESOLUTION NO. 32519**

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE RETIREMENT OF K-9 ANIK AS A SERVICE DOG.

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF CHATTANOOGA, TENNESSEE, that it is hereby authorizing the retirement of K-9 Anik as a service dog.

- 1) Anik is twelve (12) years old with ten (10) years of faithful police service. During his service, he assisted in the recovery of over fifty (50) firearms, more than 2800 pounds of marijuana, over five (5) pounds of cocaine, and thirteen (13) pounds of meth. In 2017, he received the USPCA Region 22 Top Dog award in "Narcotics". In 2022, he was awarded "Dual Purpose" Top Dog for Region 22. At the 2022 USPCA Nationals, he took first place in agility, earning a perfect score. Finally, he took the 2024 USPCA Region 22 "Top Dog" award for vehicle searches;
- 2) At the age of twelve (12), K-9 Anik is facing health issues, including rear leg and back issues, as well as other normal aging effects that make his day-to-day responsibilities difficult. K-9 Anik will be greatly missed, as he has been a valuable asset to our department since 2015. Therefore, it is recommended that K-9 Anik be retired and placed in the care of his handler, Officer David Gerity;
- 3) Anik's handler and officer, Officer David Gerity, understands the responsibility of Anik's retirement; and
- 4) Anik's handler and officer, Officer David Gerity, has asked to keep K-9 Anik and is willing to accept all responsibilities for Anik's future care such as medical, food, and housing.

  ADOPTED: May 20, 2025

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