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Legislation Text

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BACKGROUND:

Canine "Marco", a police dog, was purchased by the Division of Police in 1998. "Marco" is being retired from active police service due to his age and declining health. His handler Officer Kevin Weakley is also retiring effective October 10, 2008. The Division of Police is requesting that "Marco" be sold to Police Officer Kevin Weakley, "Marco's" handler for the past 10 years. Officer Weakley can provide a good home for this canine that has served the citizens of Columbus for the past ten - (10) years.

FISCAL IMPACT:

Funds for a replacement canine for "Marco" have not yet been identified at this time.

To authorize and direct the Finance and Management Director to sell to Officer Kevin Weakley for the sum of \$1.00, a police canine with the registered name of "Marco", which has no further value to the Division of Police and to waive provisions of the City Code-Sale of City Owned Personal Property. (\$1.00)

WHEREAS, canine "Marco" has been a faithful working police dog with the Division of Police since 1998, and

WHEREAS, canine "Marco's" retirement from active police service is due to his age and related health problems, and

WHEREAS, no City of Columbus Government Agency except Police and Fire Divisions use canines, and

WHEREAS, it is in the best interest of the City that City Code 329.30, Sale of City-Owned Property, be waived, and

WHEREAS, because canine "Marco" has been trained in police tactics, it would be in the City's best interest to provide the dog a good home during retirement, and

WHEREAS, Officer Kevin Weakley, "Marco's" handler prior to his retirement, is able and willing to provide accommodations for this canine at his personal residence and expense, and

WHEREAS, the Division of Police respectfully requests that the City allow this canine to be purchased by Officer Weakley for the sum of \$1.00; now therefore:

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF COLUMBUS:

Section 1. That the Finance and Management Director be and is hereby authorized and directed to sell a police canine with the registered name of "Marco" to Officer Kevin Weakley for the sum of \$1.00.

Section 2. That the Council of the City of Columbus finds it is in the best interests of the City that City Code 329.30, Sale of City-Owned Personal Property, be and is hereby waived to permit the sale of this specific police dog to Officer Kevin Weakley.

Section 3. That this ordinance shall take effect and be in force from and after the earliest period allowed by law.

