

**RESOLUTION 2023-\_\_\_\_\_**

**AUTHORIZING THE EXECUTION OF AN  
MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING BY AND  
BETWEEN THE CITY OF BETHLEHEM POLICE  
DEPARTMENT AND BUSPATROL AMERICA, LLC.**

WHEREAS, the CITY OF BETHLEHEM, is a municipal corporation being a City of the Third-Class, subject to the Optional Third-Class City Charter Law, organized and existing under the laws of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, its constituent parts being split by law between Northampton County and Lehigh County, Pennsylvania with principal administrative offices at City Hall, 10 E. Church Street, Bethlehem, PA 18018 (hereinafter referred to as “City”); and

WHEREAS, the Bethlehem Area School District (the “District”) has entered into an Agreement with BusPatrol America, LLC (“BusPatrol”) to provide a stop arm signal arm enforcement system on each District school bus pursuant to 75 Pa.C.S.A. § 3345.1(g) for the purpose of enforcing violations of 75 Pa.C.S.A. § 3345, which prohibits the driver of a vehicle from meeting or overtaking any school bus stopped on a highway or trafficway flashing its red signal lights; and

WHEREAS, the City of Bethlehem Police Department (hereinafter referred to as “BPD”) is the Law Enforcement Agency that would be tasked with enforcing violations that occur within the boundaries of the City of Bethlehem; and

WHEREAS, BusPatrol and the City, by and through the BPD, mutually desire to enter into a Memorandum of Understanding in support of the School Bus Stop Arm Enforcement Program (“Stop Arm Program”), which MOU will establish the framework for BusPatrol and BPD to cooperate in connection with BusPatrol’s operation of the Stop Arm Program within the boundaries of the City of Bethlehem; and

WHEREAS, BusPatrol and the City, by and through the BPD, shall be subject to the conditions and terms specified and set forth in MOU attached hereto, (the “MOU”) regarding the enforcement of violations of 75 Pa.C.S.A. § 3345 captured using an automated stop signal arm enforcement system; and

WHEREAS, the duration of the MOU shall remain in effect so long as BusPatrol’s Stop Arm Agreement with the District remains in effect, including any extensions thereof, unless terminated prior thereto pursuant to the provisions set forth in the MOU.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, on this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2023, that the City Council of the City of Bethlehem, approves and ratifies the Memorandum of

Understanding attached hereto and that the Mayor and the Controller and/or such other City officials as deemed appropriate by the City Solicitor, are hereby authorized to execute the same on behalf of the City of Bethlehem.

Sponsored by \_\_\_\_\_  
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ADOPTED by Council this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2023.

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President of Council

ATTEST:

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City Clerk