RESOLUTION NO. 2023-

WHEREAS, in 2016 the Bethlehem Police Department purchased Blaze, a Dutch Shepard, with a donation by Melissa and Robert Robbins;

WHEREAS, Blaze, as a dedicated and talented member of the Bethlehem Police Department K-9 Unit, and as an expert Patrol & Narcotics Detection K-9 for more than seven (7) years, has provided service of the highest order to protect the residents of Bethlehem and officers of the Bethlehem Police Department; and

WHEREAS, the Bethlehem Police Department now wishes to retire Blaze and to transfer ownership of Blaze to his handler, Robby Hoppes; and

WHEREAS, Blaze will live out his retirement in a loving and happy environment; and

WHEREAS, the City of Bethlehem is authorized pursuant to 11 Pa.C.S. § 12402.1 of the Third Class City Code to dispose of personal property by sale or otherwise upon approval by City Council via resolution; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Council of the City of Bethlehem that Blaze be extended the gratitude of the City of Bethlehem, which has benefited from his more than seven years of service and the special contributions he made to promoting public safety and protecting the lives and property of Bethlehem residents; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, now that Blaze is retired, he can relax and enjoy all that life has to offer him; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that Blaze is extended every good wish for a long and happy retirement: and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED by the Council of the City of Bethlehem that Blaze is hereby approved to be transferred by the Bethlehem Police Department to his handler, Robby Hoppes.:

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ADOPTED by Council this _	day if	2023.	
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ATTEST:		President of Council	
/s/ City Clerk			