ORDINANCE NO. 2951

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF SALISBURY TO APPROVE A BUDGET AMENDMENT OF THE GRANT FUND BUDGET TO APPROPRIATE FUNDS RECEIVED FROM WICOMICO COUNTY IN THE AMOUNT OF \$150,000 FOLLOWING THE DISSOLUTION OF THE MULTIJURISDICTIONAL WICOMICO COUNTY NARCOTICS TASK FORCE.

- **WHEREAS**, Wicomico County has made authorized disbursements to the City of Salisbury Police Department ("SPD") in the amount of \$150,000.00; and
- **WHEREAS**, the funding source of this authorized disbursement was the result of the dissolution of the multi-jurisdictional Wicomico County Narcotics Task Force, of which the SPD was a part thereof; and
- **WHEREAS,** all member agencies of the dissolved Wicomico County Narcotics Task Force received an equitable share of assets (**'Equitable Sharing Funds''**) associated with its dissolution; and
- **WHEREAS**, the Equitable Sharing Funds are to be deposited and to be used in accordance with the guidelines set forth by the Department of Justice and US Treasury; and
- **WHEREAS,** the SPD desires to use \$75,000.00 of the Equitable Sharing Funds for one-half of the purchase and installation of a property storage system; and
- **WHEREAS,** the SPD desires to use \$75,000.00 of the Equitable Sharing Funds for one-half of the purchase and installation of a records storage system; and
 - WHEREAS, the SPD will apply any remaining funds towards future building maintenance; and
- **WHEREAS,** the police property and records storage within the police department are at or above capacity; and
- **WHEREAS**, the improved storage infrastructure will support the secure, organized, and accountable storage of evidence and records, maintaining the integrity of investigations, legal processes, and departmental transparency; and
- **WHEREAS,** the installation of the storage systems will strengthen departmental efficiency and support full compliance with applicable retention schedules and evidence management protocols; and
- **WHEREAS**, appropriations necessary to execute the purpose of this funding must be made upon the recommendation of the Mayor and the approval of four-fifths of the Council of the City of Salisbury.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ENACTED AND ORDAINED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SALISBURY, MARYLAND, as follows:

- **Section 1.** The City of Salisbury's Grant Fund Budget be and hereby is amended as follows:
- (a) Increase Grant Fund DOJ Revenue, Acct. No. xxxxxxxxx-xxxxx, by \$150,000.00; and
- **(b)** Increase Grant Fund Expense, Building Maintenance Acct. No. xxxxxx-xxxxx, by \$150,000.00.

BE IT FURTHER ENACTED AND ORDAINED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SALISBURY, MARYLAND, as follows:

<u>Section 2</u>. It is the intention of the Mayor and Council of the City of Salisbury that each provision of this Ordinance shall be deemed independent of all other provisions herein.

<u>Section 3</u>. It is further the intention of the Mayor and Council of the City of Salisbury that if any section, paragraph, subsection, clause or provision of this Ordinance shall be adjudged invalid, unconstitutional or otherwise unenforceable under applicable Maryland or federal law, such adjudication shall apply only to the section, paragraph, subsection, clause or provision so adjudged and all other provisions of this Ordinance shall remain and shall be deemed valid and enforceable.

<u>Section 4</u>. The recitals set forth hereinabove are incorporated into this section of the Ordinance as if such recitals were specifically set forth at length in this Section 4.

Section 5. This Ordinance shall take effect from and after the date of its final passage.

THIS ORDINANCE was introduced and read at a Meeting of the Mayor and Council of the City of Salisbury held on the 11 day of August, 2025 and thereafter, a statement of the substance of the Ordinance having been published as required by law, in the meantime, was finally passed by the Council of the City of Salisbury on the 25 day of August, 2025.

ATTEST:	
Julie A. English, City Clerk	D'Shawn M. Doughty, City Council President

Approved by me, this ___25 __day of __August ____, 2025.

Randolph J. Taylor, Mayor