

**VILLAGE OF BUCHANAN  
RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE  
ESTABLISHMENT OF A LAW ENFORCEMENT ADVISORY PANEL  
AND APPOINT MEMBERS**

Introduced by: \_\_\_\_\_  
Seconded by: \_\_\_\_\_  
Dated: \_\_\_\_\_

**WHEREAS**, Governor Cuomo has enacted Executive Order 203 entitled the “New York State Police Reform and Reinvention Collaborative” and has instructed municipalities with Police Forces to form their own local plans for reform; and

**WHEREAS**, pursuant to Executive Order 203 each local government entity, including the Village, which has a police agency operating with police officers as defined under 1.20 of the criminal procedure law, must adopt a policing reform plan after performing a collaborative review of the needs of the community served by its police agency, and evaluate the department’s current policies and practices to address any racial bias and disproportionate policing of communities of color and promote trust, fairness, and legitimacy and develop a program; and

**WHEREAS**, the Village of Buchanan Board has its own Police Department, and

**WHEREAS** the Village of Buchanan desires to participate in the Collaborative by forming a Panel and submitting comments to the State; and

**WHEREAS** the purpose of the Program shall be as follows:

- To review the needs of the community served by its police agency,
- evaluate the relevant policies and practices of the department,
- identify standards and strategies that foster trust, fairness, transparency, accountability, and legitimacy,
- confirm or establish policies that allow police to perform their duties effectively and safely;
- involve stakeholders and community members in listening sessions and elicit input from the public
- develop policy recommendations resulting from this review;
- offer a plan for public comment;
- present the plan to the local legislative body to ratify or adopt it, and;
- certify adoption of the plan to the State Budget Director on or before April 1, 2021.

**NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, that the Village Board does hereby establish the Buchanan Law Enforcement Advisory Panel (LEAP) in the spirit of the New York State Police Reform and Reinvention Collaborative; and

