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MEMORANDUM

Subject: New Explorer Van

To Mayor Boughton and City Council,

On 12/5/2013 on behalf of the Danbury Police Explorers, the Explorer Post purchased a 2006 Ford E350 Super Duty 12 Passenger Van, VIN #1FBNE31L76DA67931, with a tow package. This van was previously owned by Sgt. Lobraico's late mother-in-law and he notified us that it was available and may suit our needs. On 12/4/2013 I asked public works mechanic Brian Ledan to inspect the van as he did our last one in 2008 that Boehringer-Ingelheim donated to the post. He told me that it appeared to be in excellent condition and should serve our needs well. He noted no issue that would preclude the city from accepting this van into our fleet.

Our post has over 80 youth on its roster and regularly performs community service events with over thirty Explorers. In fact the Memorial Day Parade had 63 Explorers assisting. Also, we have had at least two days in the past year where we assisted in three events simultaneously. For the last two years the post has had to hire a school bus to transport Explorers to the annual Cadet Police Academy at the University of Hartford and other events such as the NERLEEA Station's Day at the Academy in Meriden. About 30 Explorers attended the Academy each year from our post.

Furthermore, this van has a tow hitch which will give us two vans capable of towing our two trailers. This third van is needed to help us safely meet our mission. I sent this letter to Chief Baker for approval and he requested that I address it to Mayor Boughton and the City Council. I am requesting that the City place this van on the January City Council agenda and accept this van as a donation (Value of \$7,500) for use by the Danbury Police Explorers.

Respectfully,

Officer David Antedomenico  
Associate Advisor,  
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