

City of Northampton

MASSACHUSETTS

In City Council

December 15, 2022

Upon recommendation of Mayor Sciarra

22.212 An Order to Appropriate Free Cash for Fire Ladder Truck

Whereas, the ladder truck is a critical piece of apparatus for the Northampton Fire Rescue Department; and

Whereas, the ladder truck is needed for rapid response, ventilation, extinguishment and rescue operations on buildings over two stories.

Whereas, our current ladder truck has been unreliable and has failed on several occasions which has required us to rely more heavily on mutual aid; and

Whereas, we ordered a new ladder truck in September 2021; and

Whereas, the City received \$21.7 million in American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) funding and allocated \$10 million as Loss Revenue in FY2022 which has been certified to the FY2023 General Fund Undesignated Fund Balance (Free Cash).

Now, Therefore be it Ordered, that

the sum of \$1,090,656 be appropriated from the FY2023 General Fund Undesignated Fund Balance (Free Cash) to purchase a fire ladder truck, including all costs incidental and related thereto.