RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING GRANT APPLICATION AND EXECUTION OF A MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING FOR THE EDWARD BYRNE MEMORIAL JUSTICE ASSISTANCE GRANT (JAG) PROGRAM FY 2015

WHEREAS, the Edward Byrne Memorial Justice Assistance Grant (JAG) Program, authorized under Federal Regulation 42 U.S.C. 3751(a), is the primary provider of federal criminal justice funding to state and local jurisdictions; and

WHEREAS, the JAG Program (CFDA #16.738) provides states and units of local governments with critical funding necessary to support a range of program areas including law enforcement, prosecution and court programs including indigent defense, prevention and education programs, corrections and community corrections, drug treatment and enforcement, crime victim and witness initiatives, and planning, evaluation, and technology improvement programs; and

WHEREAS, this grant is a disparate allocation between the Greensboro Police Department, High Point Police Department and Guilford County Sherriff's Department which requires an application process for the funder to approve the proposed use of funds; and

WHEREAS, a disparate allocation occurs when a city or municipality is allocated more funds than the county, while the county bears more than 50 percent of the costs associated with prosecution or incarceration of the municipality's Part 1 violent crimes; and

WHEREAS, approval of the proposed funding and a Memorandum of Understanding (MOU), executed by the participating jurisdiction's is required from all disparate applicants; and

WHEREAS, in accordance with the JAG Program disparate grant formula, the participating jurisdictions agree it is in their best interests to reallocate the \$191,755 in JAG funds to the City of High Point for a total of \$39,974; to Guilford County for a total of \$48,321; and to the City of Greensboro for a total of \$103,460.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF GREENSBORO:

That the application to the Bureau of Justice Assistance for \$191,755 in federal JAG funds and execution of a Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) are hereby approved.

Agenda Item:_