National Criminal Enforcement Association

"In Pursuit of the Criminal Element - The Fight Continues."

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From: **National Criminal Enforcement Association**
Executive Director Sheriff Mike Lewis
P.O. Box 134
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TO: **Cochise County Sheriff's Office**
Attn: Sheriff Mark Dannels
205 N. Judd Drive
Bisbee, AZ 85603

Re: Authorization to Provide Funding Support to SVPD for K9 Vehicle Cages

Sheriff Mark Dannels,

In April 2022, the Cochise County Sheriff's Office received a generous donation from the National Criminal Enforcement Association in memory of Captain Robbie E. Bishop, E.O.W., to support our Canine Program.

You received a request from the Sierra Vista Police Department (SVPD) for assistance in outfitting two new Tahoe vehicles with K9 cages. SVPD has acquired two new K9s and two new vehicles to enhance their operations.

Since SVPD does not have sufficient funds—approximately $24,000—to purchase and install the K9 cages, as Executive Director of the National Criminal Enforcement Association authorizes you to help cover this cost. It is my understanding that the Cochise County Sheriff's Donation presently holds a balance of $79,196.54.

Please take this letter as our written authorization from our organization to proceed with the purchase and subsequent donation of the K9 cages to SVPD.

Respectfully submitted,

Michael A. Lewis
Executive Director