

**PROPOSED ORDINANCE NO. 36 –2017**

**AN ORDINANCE TO AUTHORIZE THE ADOPTION OF “DOC”, A RETIRED NASSAU COUNTY POLICE SERVICE DOG**

WHEREAS, “Doc,” a German shepherd, has faithfully served the residents of Nassau County as a member of the Nassau County Police Department, with the assistance of his handler, Police Officer John O’Moore; and

WHEREAS, Doc’s service to the County has been completed, and he is no longer able to perform law enforcement tasks; and

WHEREAS, Officer O’Moore wishes to adopt Doc, and has agreed to assume full responsibility for his care and maintenance during his retirement pursuant to the terms of an Adoption Agreement with the County, now on file with the Clerk of the Legislature; and

WHEREAS, this Legislature finds and determines that the most appropriate reward for Doc’s years of valiant service to the County is to allow him to retire into a loving home with Officer O’Moore; now, therefore,

BE IT ORDAINED by the County Legislature of the County of Nassau, as follows:

§ 1. Notwithstanding the provisions of Ordinance No. 373-1991, as amended, Nassau County Police Officer John O’Moore is hereby authorized to adopt the Nassau County Police Department service dog known as “Doc” pursuant to the terms of her Adoption Agreement with the County.

§ 2. This ordinance shall take effect immediately.