

RESOLUTION NO: 40

SERIES OF 2020

INTRODUCED BY: MAYOR PRO TEM KERBER

**A RESOLUTION DECLARING CITY COUNCIL'S
COMMITMENT TO INDEMNIFY ITS POLICE OFFICERS
AGAINST LIABILITY UNDER SENATE BILL 20-217**

WHEREAS, the Colorado State Legislature recently passed Senate Bill 20-217, known as the Law Enforcement Integrity Act; and

WHEREAS, before entering upon the duties of their office, Greenwood Village police officers take an oath that they will support the Constitution of the United States, the Constitution and laws of the State and the ordinances of the City, and that they will faithfully perform their duties; and

WHEREAS, the Greenwood Village Police Department already follows the now mandated use of force practices adopted in Senate Bill 20-217; and

WHEREAS, the Greenwood Village City Council is supportive and proud of the department as evidenced most recently by last year's Resolution No. 35 that voiced Council's appreciation of the work of these dedicated public servants who put themselves in harm's way to protect our safety 24 hours a day; and

WHEREAS, the Greenwood Village City Council wishes to evidence its continued support by committing to indemnify its officers against any liability imposed against them individually by any action brought in accordance with Senate Bill 20-217.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF GREENWOOD VILLAGE:

The Greenwood Village City Council resolves to in all cases defend any police officer in any suit or proceeding brought under SB 20-217 and pay or indemnify its police officers against all expenses, court costs, including expert fees, court fees, attorney fees, judgments, fines and amounts paid in settlement or satisfaction of judgment actually incurred by them in connection with such action, suit or proceeding.

READ, PASSED, AND APPROVED THE 6th DAY OF JULY 2020.

ATTEST:

George E. Lantz, Mayor

Susan M. Ortiz, MMC, City Clerk