Resolution 25-06

POLICY TO PROHIBIT THE USE OF EXCESSIVE FORCE AND TO ENFORCE APPLICABLE STATE AND LOCAL LAWS PROHIBITING PHYSICALLY BARRING ENTRANCES/EXITS FOR NON-VIOLENT CIVIL RIGHTS DEMONSTRATIONS

WHEREAS Section 104 (L)(1) of Title I of the Housing and Community Development Act of 1974 as amended (42 U.S.C. 69 §5304) prohibits the State from expending or obligating any Community Development Block Grant funds to any unit of general local government that does not have or adopt a policy prohibiting the use of excessive force by local law enforcement agencies within its jurisdiction against any individuals engaged in nonviolent civil rights demonstrations; and a policy of enforcing State and local laws against physically barring entrance to or exit from a facility or location which is the subject of such nonviolent civil rights demonstration within its jurisdiction;

WHEREAS the Town of Roxbury may seek Community Development Block Grant Funds and to be eligible for those funds must adopt a policy that complies with Section 104 (L)(1) of Title I of the Housing and Community Development Act of 1974 as amended (42 USC 69 §5304);

THEREFORE, the Town of Roxbury Town Board adopts the following Resolution:

- 1. The Town prohibits the use of excessive force by law enforcement agencies within the Town's jurisdiction against any individuals engaged in nonviolent civil rights demonstrations.
- 2. The Town will enforce applicable State and local laws against physically barring entrance to or exit from a facility or location which is the subject of such nonviolent civil rights demonstration within the Town's jurisdiction.
- 3. The officials and employees of the Town shall assist in the orderly prevention of all excessive force within the Town of Roxbury by implementing the authority and enforcement procedures set forth in Title I of the Housing and Community Development Act of 1974.
- 4. The Town will provide a copy of this Resolution to the Dane County Sheriff's Department and direct that it enforce this Resolution within the Town of Roxbury jurisdictional limits.

APPROVED:

Nicholas Ganser, Town Chairperson

ATTEST:

Lisa Meinholz, Town Clerk

I hereby certify that the foregoing resolution was duly passed by the Town Board of the Town of Roxbury on September 15, 2025.