

**RESOLUTION NO. 2025-050  
VILLAGE OF CALEDONIA**

**A RESOLUTION APPROVING THE ACQUISITION OF A POLICE DEPARTMENT  
THERAPY DOG TO SUPPORT THE WELL BEING OF ITS OFFICERS,  
VILLAGE STAFF, AND THE COMMUNITY**

The Village Board for the Village of Caledonia, Racine County, WI do resolve as follows:

**WHEREAS**, the Caledonia Police Department has requested the acquisition of a therapy dog to support the well-being of its officers, Village staff, and the community it serves aligning with the department's commitment to a healthy, resilient workforce and enhanced community engagement; and,

**WHEREAS**, studies have demonstrated that therapy dogs can:

1. Significantly reduce stress levels,
2. Provide emotional support,
3. Improve overall mental health, and
4. Provide a valuable tool in community outreach, especially with vulnerable populations such as children, victims of trauma, and individuals with special needs.

**WHEREAS**, the Police Department is seeking a donation of a trained therapy dog from *Partners With Paws Service Dogs* that has generously donated several service and therapy dogs in Wisconsin; and,

**WHEREAS**, the therapy dog would undergo specialized training and certification to ensure suitability for our department's environment and will assist officers during stressful incidents, serve as a calming presence in crisis situations, and participate in community outreach programs; and,

**WHEREAS**, a designated team will oversee the therapy dog's integration, care, and ongoing training, ensuring compliance with all relevant policies and standards.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, by the Village Board of the Village of Caledonia, that the requested acquisition of a therapy dog to support the well-being of its officers, Village staff, and the community it serves.

Adopted by the Village Board of the Village of Caledonia, Racine County, Wisconsin, this 10 day of June, 2025.

**VILLAGE OF CALEDONIA**

By:   
Thomas Weatherston  
Village President

Attest:   
Jennifer Bass  
Village Clerk