



## *Town of West Hartford*

# *Proclamation*

**WHEREAS**, *K9 Axel* has served as a West Hartford Police Dog since 2012; and

**WHEREAS**, the West Hartford Police Department has benefited from the loyal services of *K9 Axel* as a member of the Department since his recruitment; and

**WHEREAS**, *K9 Axel* has given uncompromising dedication to his Canine Handler, **Officer Nicholas Roman #297**, which has allowed them to create a strong partnership that has proven to be a valuable asset to the West Hartford Police Department; and


**WHEREAS**, the effective dynamic between them has led to the apprehension of felons wanted for firearms related offenses, discovery of crucial pieces of evidence which contributed to the seizure of substantial amounts of cash and narcotics, as well as the apprehension of numerous suspects actively burglarizing vehicles during the overnight hours in West Hartford; and

**WHEREAS**, though *K9 Axel's* mission was to protect the West Hartford community, he was also charged with ensuring both he and **Officer Roman** safely finished their shifts together; and

**WHEREAS**, *K9 Axel* is compelled, by reason of permanent partial disability, to retire from the rigorous duties of active police work.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT PROCLAIMED** that on behalf of the Town Council and the residents of West Hartford, I, Mayor Shari G. Cantor, do hereby recognize and congratulate **Officer Nicholas Roman #297 and K9 Axel**, on their partnership and on *K9 Axel's* storied career of providing invaluable service to the Town of West Hartford.

March 3, 2021

  
Shari G. Cantor, Mayor