# Memorandum of Understanding

Between
Town of Munster ("MUNSTER")
and
Superior Air-Ground Ambulance Service of IN, Inc. ("SUPERIOR")

This Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) sets for the terms and understanding between the MUNSTER and the SUPERIOR to allow the medical treatment/transport of operation canines owned by the Town of Munster.

## Background

House Enrolled Act No. 1201 has amended the Indiana Code concerning health allowing for the emergency care and transport of operational canines defined in IC 16-31-13-1 when there is not a person requiring medical attention.

## **Purpose**

This MOU will establish the guidelines in which treatment may be provided to a MUNSTER owned canine injured in the line of duty and allow for the treatment/transport of the canine to an appropriate 24 hour emergency medical facility. The operational goal will be to provide care for the injured canine outlined in IC 16-31-13 that provides for the medical assistance to include any and all life saving treatments.

The above goals will be accomplished by undertaking the following activities:

• Continued education to all MUNSTER and SUPERIOR personnel associated with the care and application of operational canines under Indiana Code and General Order.

## Reporting

Evaluation of services to introduce or eliminate identified aspects of the shared MUNSTER/SUPERIOR program concerning the treatment/transport of an injured canine will be reported to St Mary Medical Center EMS Academy Administration when such changes are noted or observed.

#### **Funding**

Services performed to transport the canine will be the responsibility of MUNSTER and billed to MUNSTER at the rate of \$ 900.00. Furthermore, MUNSTER agrees to hold harmless SUPERIOR, St. INC; Dr. Lauren Rutili DO; Dr.; against any and all claims, liability, damages or compensation.

#### Duration

This MOU is at-will and may be modified by mutual consent of authorized officials from MUNSTER and SUPERIOR. This MOU shall become effective upon signature by the authorized officials from MUNSTER and SUPERIOR and will remain in effect until modified or terminated by any one of the partners by mutual consent. In the absence of mutual agreement by the authorized officials from MUNSTER and SUPERIOR this MOU shall end on September 30, 2025.

## **Contact Information**

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