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Hello Supervisors,

Hello again! And welcome new Supervisors. Just a short note that I'm in opposition to the 2023 RES-419, resolution, Authorizing an Agreement for Grant Funding to Purchase Breaching Equipment for the Sheriff's Office Tactical Response Team.

Why is this equipment so special? Has Sheriff Barrett explained why this equipment is needed? We don't need equipment from the military in Dane County that can be used in lieu of equipment that's already in place. I see this is as a preponderance of military equipment to local equipment that's already in place.

Will this equipment aid in domestic tranquility, or disturb it, especially if someone makes a mistake and goes to the wrong address with it?

I see this equipment as a breach of domestic tranquility and the <u>militarization</u> of the Sheriff's Department.

And, Dane County has already approved 2023 RES-294 - Authorizing Grant Funding to Purchase Bomb Technician Response Equipment for the Sheriff's Office Hazard Devices Unit this last February 2024 that I opposed too and mentioned at the meeting. That was \$ 15,000 worth. Now with this new resolution, 2023 RES-419, this adds \$ 6,500 for a total of \$ 21,500 of militarized equipment with these two Resolutions for Dane County. Will this equipment really help may Dane County safer? I'd like to hear an explanation.

Just say **NO** to this militarized equipment for Dane County. Or, is it going to be **1984** in Dane County?

Sincerely,

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