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CAPInv. 760: **he synethia Heronos Aulonitou**

I. LOCATION

i. Geographical area	Macedonia
ii. Region	Mygdonia
iii. Site	Thessalonike

II. NAME

i. Full name (original language)	ἡ συνήθεια Ἡρώνος Αὐλωνίτου (IG X.2.1 Suppl. 1368, ll. 3-4)
ii. Full name (transliterated)	<i>he synethia Heronos Aulonitou</i>

III. DATE

i. Date(s)	159 / 160 AD
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IV. NAME AND TERMINOLOGY

ii. Name elements	Theophoric: <i>Hero Aulonites</i>
iii. Descriptive terms	συνήθεια, <i>synetheia</i>
Note	<i>synetheia</i> : IG X.2.1 Suppl. 1368, l. 3

V. SOURCES

i. Source(s)	IG X.2.1 Suppl. 1368 (AD 159/60)
Note	See also: Despinis, Stephanidou-Tiveriou and Voutiras 2010: no. 567; AGRW 54; SEG 60: 665.
Online Resources	IG X.2.1 Suppl. 1368 and AD 24 (1969) 300 no 3 and AGRW ID 2439
i.a. Source type(s)	Epigraphic source(s)
i.b. Document(s) typology & language/script	Greek funerary inscription.

i.c. Physical format(s)	Crowned stele with relief of a transport carriage led by three mules; behind the seated driver and on top of the carriage, a small dog.
ii. Source(s) provenance	Eastern cemetery of Thessalonike.

VII. ORGANIZATION

ii. Leadership	The association is led by an ἀρχισυνάγωγος, <i>archisynagogos</i> (Il. 5-6), and a ἱερεύς, <i>hiereus</i> (l. 7), who are the only officials of the association that we know of.
ix. Privileges	The association paid for the funerary monument of deceased members.

VIII. PROPERTY AND POSSESSIONS

i. Treasury/Funds	The erection of the monument is explicitly said to have been funded by the association's treasury, the γλωσσοκόμον, <i>glossokomon</i> (Il. 8-9).
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IX. MEMBERSHIP

ii. Gender	Men
Note	The two leaders of the association and the deceased are men.
iv. Status	This is yet another association where professional and cultic aspects coexist. The deceased was a carriage driver, the association's leader was a manufacturer of yokes, and the deity worshiped was a protector of narrow passes and thus of professionals involved in transport and long-distance land commerce.

XII. NOTES

i. Comments	The group's name derives from Hero Aulonites (on this deity see the sources in Pilhofer 2009 II 580/G488, 618/G565, 619/G499, 620-629, and Nigdelis 2006: 256-7).
iii. Bibliography	Despinis, G., Stephanidou-Tiveriou, Th. and Voutiras, E. (2010), <i>Κατάλογος γλυπτών του Αρχαιολογικού Μουσείου Θεσσαλονίκης</i> . Vol 3. Thessaloniki: no 567 (D. Terzopoulou). Nigdelis, P. M. (2006), <i>Επιγραφικά Θεσσαλονίκεια. Συμβολή στην πολιτική και κοινωνική ιστορία της αρχαίας Θεσσαλονίκης</i> . Thessaloniki: 256-7. Pilhofer, P. (2009), <i>Philippi. Band II: Katalog der Inschriften von Philippi</i> , rev. edn. Tübingen.

XIII. EVALUATION

i. Private association	Certain
Note	A distinctive name, a leader and discretionary funds are the elements that qualify this group as a private cultic association.