## 29TH BOARD OF REPRESENTATIVES CITY OF STAMFORD

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## **RESOLUTION NO. 3685**

SENSE OF THE BOARD RESOLUTION
APPROVING THE USE OF THE PROPERTY
AT 200 STRAWBERRY HILL AVENUE
AS A SCHOOL IF THE CITY OF STAMFORD
RECEIVES MAGNET FUNDING FROM THE STATE

WHEREAS, at a Special Meeting held on June 25, 2014, the Board of Representatives passed a resolution authorizing the purchase of the property and improvements commonly known as 200 Strawberry Hill Avenue (the "Premises") and also passed a resolution amending the capital budget for Fiscal Year 2014-15 to add an appropriation of \$55,000,000 for the planning, design, engineering, acquisition, construction, furnishing and equipping of an elementary school on the Premises; and

WHEREAS, at the time these resolutions were sought, the members of the City administration and the BOE assured the members of the Board of Representatives that they would appear back before the Board to fully present the information and data to support the need for a new school and to seek input from the Board of Representatives over the use of the property; and

WHEREAS, the City of Stamford Board of Education (the "BOE") has submitted an application to the State of Connecticut Department of Administrative Services, Office of School Facilities, Division of Construction Services for a school construction project for the purchase of and renovations to the Premises to build an Inter-district K-5 IB Elementary magnet school (the "Magnet Application"); and

WHEREAS, as part of the Magnet Application, the BOE was required to include the resolution from the Board of Representatives indicating its approval of the purchase of the property as well as the resolution showing the inclusion in the capital budget of the City for the fiscal year 2014-2015 an amount of \$55,000,000 for said capital budget project; and

WHEREAS, the members of the City administration and the BOE appeared before the Board of Representatives Education Committee on September 17, 2014 and October 22, 2014 to report on the current status of overcrowding in the Stamford School District, projections for future crowding, the use of the Premises to address the classroom needs of the City, and the proposed Inter-district K-5 IB Elementary magnet school, including state reimbursement rates, and

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**WHEREAS**, building an Inter-district K-5 IB Elementary school on the Premises will help to address the current overcrowding in the Stamford School District.

**NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED** that it is the sense of the 29<sup>th</sup> Board of Representatives that the property at 200 Strawberry Hill Avenue should be used as a school if the city receives the state magnet funding.

This resolution was approved by a machine vote of 26-4-1 at the regular monthly meeting of the Board of Representatives held on Wednesday, November 5, 2014.

Randall M. Skigen, President

Annie M. Summerville, Clerk

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