31st Board of Representatives City of Stamford

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RESOLUTION NO. 4375 REQUESTING CAPITAL FUNDING FOR INFRASTRUCTURE IMPROVEMENTS AT SCOFIELD MANOR

WHEREAS, Scofield Manor, located at 614 Scofield town Road, was constructed in 1931 and has served as a residential care home for elderly and disabled residents for decades; and

WHEREAS, the property was entrusted to the City of Stamford by Royal L. Gay in 1836 in perpetuity with the purpose of caring for the city's most vulnerable residents; and

WHEREAS, municipalities have a moral and civic duty to protect and provide for the elderly, mentally ill and economically disadvantaged, particularly those in residential care; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Representatives overwhelmingly rejected a contract on April 7, 2025, that would have put Scofield Manor in the hands of a private management company, thereby reinforcing the city's responsibility to maintain this critical public facility; and

WHEREAS, Scofield Manor's infrastructure is aging and is in need of urgent capital investment to ensure the safety, dignity, and well-being of its residents and to meet basic health and regulatory standards; and

WHEREAS, the Stamford Board of Finance cut \$225,000 for Scofield Manor exterior improvements in 2024; and

WHEREAS, continuing to defer capital investment may result in greater long-term costs and hardship for residents, staff, and the city.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the 31st Board of Representatives respectfully requests that the Mayor, the Planning Board, and the Board of Finance prioritize and appropriate capital funding necessary to address the infrastructure needs of Scofield Manor.

This resolution was approved via roll call vote at the regular monthly meeting of the 31st Board of Representatives held on May 5th, 2025

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