

**RESOLUTION NO. –
SENSE OF THE BOARD RESOLUTION
SUPPORTING THE FORMATION OF A SOLARIZE COMMITTEE**

WHEREAS, Stamford is a coastal community that is particularly vulnerable to the effects of climate change;

WHEREAS, all national plans to build a carbon-neutral economy and therefore mitigate the worst effects of climate change will require the widespread adoption of renewal energy, including residential and business solar arrays;

WHEREAS, the “Solarize” program model has been shown to be an effective means of promoting the installation of hundreds of megawatts of solar energy production with residential home and small businesses across the country in the last decade;

WHEREAS, Solarize programs also have the secondary benefit of promoting education concerning the benefits and necessary considerations regarding solar transactions, which can be complex and are still not well understood by many consumers;

WHEREAS, a Solarize campaign in Stamford could immediately help increase solar adoption in the City and generally spread education concerning solar energy options for residents and businesses, thereby encouraging further adoption of renewal energy,

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the 30th Board of Representatives supports any effort by the Mayor to form a Solarize committee.