

**SENSE OF THE BOARD RESOLUTION  
CONGRATULATING CATHOLIC CHARITIES OF FAIRFIELD COUNTY  
ON ITS 100<sup>TH</sup> ANNIVERSARY**

**WHEREAS**, Catholic Charities of Fairfield County (“CCFC”) is celebrating its 100<sup>th</sup> Anniversary; and

**WHEREAS**, in January 1916 a group of dedicated lay women, men, nuns and clergy from Bridgeport, Connecticut joined forces to help the needy and vulnerable in the area by creating the Catholic Charitable Bureau, which is known today as Catholic Charities of Fairfield County; and

**WHEREAS**, Marguerite T. Boylan, Ph.D., joined forces with Bishop John J. Nilan to launch the organization; and

**WHEREAS**, Catholic Charities of Fairfield County puts faith into action by providing food, housing, and behavioral health, adoption, immigration, and family support services to the needy and vulnerable of all faiths in Fairfield County; and

**WHEREAS**, Catholic Charities of Fairfield County serves more than one million meals annually to the hungry and working poor from its soup kitchens, meal programs and food pantries, including the New Covenant Center in Stamford, opened in 1978, which serves 350 meals a day and includes a breakfast to go, and which food pantry distributes groceries to more than 1,000 family members each month; and

**WHEREAS**, Catholic Charities of Fairfield County also operates the Family Directions adoption services and pregnancy counseling program, Room to Grow preschools, family loan program, immigration counseling, and disaster relief.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the 29<sup>th</sup> Board of Representatives of the City of Stamford extends its congratulations to Catholic Charities of Fairfield County on its 100<sup>th</sup> Anniversary.

*Approved by the 29<sup>th</sup> Board of Representatives  
this 2<sup>nd</sup> day of May, 2016*

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Randall M. Skigen, President

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Annie M. Summerville, Clerk