

**SENSE OF THE BOARD RESOLUTION  
CONGRATULATING THE STAMFORD SENIOR CENTER  
ON ITS 20<sup>TH</sup> ANNIVERSARY**

**WHEREAS**, the Stamford Senior Center was founded in 1996 to open a senior center for the seniors of Stamford; and

**WHEREAS**, an ad hoc board consisting of William Rosenfield, Warren Dubin, Annette Antonelli, and Joe Cottone was formed and a search for an Executive Director commenced and in June, 1996, Jeanne Franklin was hired as the first Executive Director; and

**WHEREAS**, a lease was signed for the use of the 2<sup>nd</sup> floor of the Stamford Government Center with the City of Stamford and a \$50,000 one-time start up grant was received for construction and renovation of the space, which included a gymnasium, auditorium, a wheelchair accessible entrance from the 3<sup>rd</sup> floor of the parking garage, a 9-hole putting green, computer training room, recreation room with billiard tables, a seminar room, café and reception area; and

**WHEREAS**, programs include exercise classes, art, the outreach ambassador program to support multicultural diversity, a federally funded reduced lunch program under Catholic Charities, SeniorNet computer classes, and English as a Second Language classes; and

**WHEREAS**, today the Stamford Senior Center serves over 75 seniors with programming around health and wellness, education, socialization, and social services to assist the Latino elder community and enhance their quality of life; and

**WHEREAS**, the Stamford Senior Center continues to thrive with over 800 members, and serves between 150 - 200 seniors each day.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the 29<sup>th</sup> Board of Representatives of the City of Stamford extends its congratulations to the Stamford Senior Center on its 20<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