SENSE OF THE BOARD RESOLUTION CONGRATULATING THE STAMFORD PARENT LEADERSHIP TRAINING INSTITUTE ON ITS 20TH ANNIVERSARY

WHEREAS, the Stamford Parent Leadership Training Institute (PLTI) was founded in 1997 by Olga Brown, the Director of Nursing Services working for the city Department of Health and Social Services at the time; and

WHEREAS, PLTI was created to fully engage parents who wish to improve the lifelong health, safety, and education of children, giving them tools of democracy to actively advocate for children in public policy and other civic arenas; and

WHEREAS, the PLTI curriculum consists of twenty weekly sessions focusing on different leadership attributes, such as honing public speaking and writing skills, using the media effectively, and understanding how the three levels of government function and coordinate with one another to deliver services; and

WHEREAS, over the course of the 20 years, class participants have been treated to guest speakers, including the Governor, the Mayor, the School Superintendent, legislators at the state and local level, as well as other public officials; and

WHEREAS, the Design Team, or "board" members are dedicated individuals volunteering time and talents to support PLTI's activities, in order to make the program free for participants; and

WHEREAS, PLTI has graduated 472 parent leaders over the course of 20 years, some who have gone on to become Board of Education and Board of Representative members, among other leadership positions in our City;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the 29th Board of Representatives congratulates the Stamford Parent Leadership Training Institute on its 20th anniversary; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the 29th Board of Representatives appreciates the important role of the Stamford Parent Leadership Training Institute has played in serving the citizens of the City of Stamford.

Approved by the 29th Board of Representatives This 5th day of June, 2017

Randall M. Skigen, President	Annie M. Summerville, Clerk