

**SENSE OF THE BOARD RESOLUTION  
CONGRATULATING THE JULIA A. STARK ELEMENTARY SCHOOL  
ON ITS 90TH ANNIVERSARY**

**WHEREAS**, the Julia A. Stark Elementary School was founded in 1927; and

**WHEREAS**, the School was named in honor of Julia A. Stark, a City of Stamford Public School System employee for nearly fifty years who was the school's first principal; and

**WHEREAS**, Julia A. Stark began her teaching career in Stamford at the Turn of River School; she then taught at the Long Ridge School and then became the principal in the little school house at Elm Place, Glenbrook and retired as principal from the Julia A. Stark Elementary School in 1931 ; and

**WHEREAS**, when the Julia A. Stark Elementary School opened in 1927, only one wing had been built and there were 441 students, 12 rooms and 14 teachers; and

**WHEREAS**, the Julia A. Stark Elementary School has been enlarged four times since 1927, most recently in 1998, including the addition of classrooms, an auditorium, a gymnasium, a cafeteria, a media center and a computer lab;, and currently has over 600 students and 80 staff members; and

**WHEREAS**, the Julia A. Stark Elementary School is the only public neighborhood school remaining in Stamford, since all of the current students come directly from the surrounding area in the heart of the Glenbrook neighborhood of Stamford; and

**WHEREAS**, subsequent principals were Mr. McLaughlin, Everett E. Robie, Albert Sessa, Costa N. Karukas, John P. Gilchrist, Walther L. Goodwin, Nadine Schultz, Mary M. Savage, William Johnson, Mark Bonasera and the current principal Edith Presley.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT** the 29th Board of Representatives extends its best wishes and congratulations to the Julia A. Stark Elementary School as it celebrates its 90th anniversary; and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT** the Board of Representatives appreciates the important role of the Julia A. Stark Elementary School has played in serving the citizens of the City of Stamford.

*Approved by the 29th Board of Representatives  
This 6<sup>th</sup> Day of March, 2017*

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Randall M. Skigen, President

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Annie M. Summerville, Clerk