

**SENSE OF THE BOARD RESOLUTION
CONGRATULATING STAMFORD POLICE OFFICER DAMIEN ROSA
ON BEING SELECTED STAMFORD 2017 POLICE OFFICER OF THE YEAR**

WHEREAS, Stamford Police Investigator Damien Rosa was named Stamford 2017 Police Officer of the Year; and

WHEREAS, Stamford Police Officer Damien Rosa was raised in the South Bronx; and

WHEREAS, Stamford Police Officer Damien Rosa served nine years in the U.S. Marines in Iraq, Afghanistan and throughout Africa from 2005 to 2014; and

WHEREAS, Stamford Police Officer Damien Rosa started in the Stamford Police Department on April 4, 2013 as a member of the Special Response Team; he is a Field Training Officer and a translator for the police department; and

WHEREAS, Stamford Police Officer Damien Rosa last July, along with Police Officer Michael Montanaro, were the first on the scene to help a drowning boy at Cummings Beach; the two officers ran down the 450 yard pier and jumped in the water, saving seven year old Jadiel Garcia who was clinging to a buoy 80 feet from shore; and

WHEREAS, Stamford Police Officer Damien Rosa said he never envisioned being a police officer while growing up in a poor neighborhood of New York City, but said his perception of the job changed after his decorated military career that included a Combat Action Ribbon for his service in Operation Enduring Freedom.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the 30th Stamford Board of Representatives Congratulates Stamford Police Officer Damien Rosa on being selected Stamford 2017 Police Officer of the Year.

*Approved by the 30th Board of Representatives
This 7th day of May, 2018*

Matthew Quinones, President

Susan Nabel, Clerk