

**SENSE OF THE BOARD RESOLUTION
CONGRATULATING WESTHILL HIGH SCHOOL STUDENTS
AJ LACCONA, DANIEL BRENNAN AND DENNIS LoDOLCE
ON WINNING THE JASON GARRETT STARFISH CHARITIES
“MAKE A DIFFERENCE CHALLENGE”**

WHEREAS, Westhill football players AJ Laccona, Daniel Brennan and Dennis LoDolce each won \$5,000.00 college scholarships from the Jason Garrett Starfish Charities “Make a Difference Challenge”; and

WHEREAS, the Jason Garrett Starfish Charities “Make a Difference Challenge” awards college scholarships annually to up to five players from a school or team who identify an issue in their local community that motivates them to make a difference and who propose a solution; and

WHEREAS, in order to be eligible for the scholarship, players must attend the “PLAY IT SMART Football Camp, “ a one-day, free, non-contact football camp conducted by Garrett and other current and former NFL players and coaches that includes a life skills component; and

WHEREAS, AJ Laccona, Daniel Brennan and Dennis LoDolce won first place in the challenge by proposing to put recycling bins in every classroom at Westhill and then to use the money collected from the return of bottles and cans to fund a middle school mentoring program designed by other Westhill football players last year as their proposal in the “Make a Difference Challenge”; and

WHEREAS, Westhill football players, with the help of Jeff Jecrois, Community Outreach Coordinator of the Stamford Public Education Foundation, have developed plans to mentor students at Cloonan Middle School for their transition to high school.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the 30th Stamford Board of Representatives congratulates Westhill football players, AJ Laccona, Daniel Brennan and Dennis LoDolce on each winning \$5,000.00 college scholarships from the Jason Garrett Starfish Charities “Make a Difference Challenge”.

*Approved by the 30th Board of Representatives
This 6th day of August, 2018*

Matthew Quinones, President

Susan Nabel, Clerk