

**SENSE OF THE BOARD RESOLUTION
CONGRATULATING STAMFORD POLICE INVESTIGATOR MICHAEL STEMPIEN
ON BEING SELECTED STAMFORD 2017 POLICE OFFICER OF THE YEAR**

WHEREAS, Stamford Police Investigator Michael Stempien was named Stamford 2017 Police Officer of the Year; and

WHEREAS, Stamford Police Investigator Michael Stempien grew up in Greenwich, where his father retired last year as a detective after three decades with the Greenwich Police Department; and

WHEREAS, Stamford Police Investigator Michael Stempien is a financial crimes investigator in the “bunco squad” and has blue blood in his veins, raised in Byram and influenced by his father Jeffrey Stempien, and said he always wanted to be a police officer; and

WHEREAS, Stamford Police Investigator Michael Stempien was initially torn when he was offered a job with the Stamford Police Department during his senior year at the University of Delaware where he was studying Criminal Justice; and

WHEREAS, Stamford Police Investigator Michael Stempien, after joining the Stamford Police Department, completed his coursework the following year to receive his degree, and since being assigned to financial crimes has been matching wits with imaginative criminals; and

WHEREAS, Stamford Police Investigator Michael Stempien last year tracked down two Liberian men who police say scammed a retired Stamford developer out of \$400,000, and in 2015 with his partner, Sean Coughlin, led New York police to a credit card factory in Co-op City.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the 30th Board of Representatives congratulates Stamford Police Investigator Michael Stempien 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