

**SENSE OF THE BOARD RESOLUTION  
HONORING JAMES MATHENY  
FOR HIS 30 YEARS OF SERVICE TO THE CITY OF STAMFORD**

**WHEREAS**, James Matheny joined the Stamford Police Department in 1990, serving first in the Patrol Division and then the COPE PACT Narcotics Unit as an investigator, and was promoted to Sergeant in 1998, and where he continued as a supervisor in both the Patrol and Narcotics Divisions, and was promoted to Lieutenant in 2006, serving as the North District Patrol Commander; and

**WHEREAS**, in 2007, James Matheny was instrumental in the establishment of the first Special Victims Unit in the State of Connecticut, which became a prototype for similar domestic violence units, and, in 2008, became the Commander of the Bureau of Criminal Investigations, overseeing the Department's Major Crimes Unit, the Property Crimes Unit, the Financial Crimes Unit, the Crime Scene Unit, the Youth Bureau, and the newly formed Special Victims Unit; and

**WHEREAS**, James Matheny's experience, determination, and dedication to the highest ideals of service led to his selection and promotion to Assistant Chief of Police in 2011, where he commanded the Patrol, Investigative, Special Operations, and Administrative Divisions for the next eight years; and

**WHEREAS**, during his career with the Stamford Police Department, James Matheny facilitated and promoted the implementation of new training protocols, crafted and revised departmental policies and procedures, and was honored with numerous awards and commendations, including Police Commission Life Saving awards, Excellent Performance of Duty awards, Excellent Arrest awards, the World Trade Center Commendation, the Sandy Hook Service Medal, nine departmental commendations, five Unit Citations, over thirty letters of commendation from his superiors, and two Mayoral Proclamations; and

**WHEREAS**, James Matheny is a 45 year resident of Stamford, where he proudly attended and graduated from the city's public schools, and where he started and raised a family; and

**WHEREAS**, James Matheny has been committed to public service in his personal as well as professional life as an active volunteer with organizations including the Special Olympics, the Police Athletic League, the Board of Directors of Stamford EMS; the Project KidCare Administrator; a coach and Vice President of the North Stamford Little League; a Law Enforcement Coordinator and Venue Director for the International JCC Maccabi Games, and a volunteer for the Disaster Relief Mission for Hurricane Katrina; and

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, that the 30<sup>th</sup> Stamford Board of Representatives, on behalf of the citizens of the City of Stamford, does hereby extend its sincere gratitude to, and does hereby honor, acclaim, and thank Assistant Chief of Police James Matheny for his near thirty years of dedication to the City of Stamford and its people, for his exemplary professional service, and for the diligent performance of his duties, all in a manner honoring the highest traditions and standards of the Stamford Police Department.

*Approved by the 30<sup>th</sup> Board of Representatives  
This 6<sup>th</sup> day of November, 2019*

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Matthew Quinones, President  
30<sup>th</sup> Board of Representatives

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Susan Nabel, Clerk  
30<sup>th</sup> Board of Representatives