## CONGRATULATING REPRESENTATIVE ANNIE M. SUMMERVILLE ON

**RECEIVING THE 2019 LATHON WIDER POLITICAL ACTION AWARD** 

**WHEREAS**, on September 27, 2019, the Stamford NAACP will award Annie M. Summerville the 2019 Lathon Wider Political Action Award at its Annual Freedom Fund Dinner,; and

**WHEREAS,** the Lathon Wider Award is named for Lathon Wider, Sr., a dedicated member of the Stamford Community and a member of the Board of Representatives for twelve years; and

**WHEREAS,** Annie M. Summerville has resided in Stamford since 1964 and has been a member of the Board of Representatives for the 6<sup>th</sup> District since October 4, 1978, serving as Clerk of the Board for 38 years; and

WHEREAS, Annie Summerville has been dedicated to the Stamford Community, serving as past President of the Yerwood Center and the Yerwood Center's Women's Club; a member of the Advisory Group of Stamford's Center for the Arts; a Board Member of the St. John's Urban Development Corporation; a member of the Old Town Hall Committee and Board representative to Old Town Hall Redevelopment Agency; and as Trustee of the Union Baptist Church and Chair of its Facility Use Committee; and

**WHEREAS**, Annie Summerville worked for many years with the Stamford Housing Authority to ensure safe housing for many of Stamford's residents; and

**WHEREAS**, Annie Summerville's political activities extend beyond the Board of Representatives, having served as the Stamford Chair for both the Denise Nappier and Frank Borges elections to State Treasurer, as a member of Stamford's Democratic City Committee, and as a past president of the Democratic City Women's Club; and

WHEREAS, Annie Summerville has received numerous awards and commendations for her service, including the Yerwood Center's Outstanding Community Service Award in 1985; the Dr. Martin Luther King Day Committee "Outstanding Community Leadership Award" in 2002; the AFSCME Local 818 "30 Years of Service Award" in 2000; the Local 1199 "Solidarity Award" in 2004; the 2015 Stamford ICON Award; and numerous awards from the National and local NAACP chapters, including the Distinguished Service Award, the Civil Rights Award, the Clarence Mitchell Award and the W.E.B. Dubois Lifetime Achievement Award; and

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, that the 30th Stamford Board of Representatives congratulates Representative Annie M. Summerville on receiving the 2019 Lathon Wider Political Action Award and thanks her for her many years of service to the City of Stamford; and

Approved by the 30th Board of Representatives this 7<sup>th</sup> day of October, 2019

Matthew Quinones, President

Susan Nabel, Clerk