## SENSE OF THE BOARD RESOLUTION CONGRATULATING JOSEPHINE FULCHER-ANDERSON OF THE FERGUSON LIBRARY FOR BEING NAMED 2021 OUTSTANDING LIBRARIAN BY THE CONNECTICUT LIBRARY ASSOCIATION

WHEREAS, on April 22, 2021, the Connecticut Library Association announced that Josephine Fulcher Anderson has been named the 2021 Outstanding Librarian of the Year, and

**WHEREAS**, Mrs. Anderson has served the Stamford Community at the South End Branch of the Ferguson Library as supervisor for 33 years and has expanded the activities of the Ferguson Library's Bookmobile with the goal of bringing library resources to under-served areas, and

**WHEREAS**, literature is at the center of all of Mrs. Anderson's programs, which include the annual Haitian Book & Arts Festival, Poetry & Jazz Night and Martin Luther King, Jr. Day Family Celebration, as well as the long-standing African & African American Book Discussion Group, and

**WHEREAS**, Mrs. Anderson co-founded the Stamford Kwanzaa Association and has coordinated the City's Kwanzaa celebration for the past 20 years, and

**WHEREAS,** Mrs. Anderson grew up in the Jim Crow South, where she was denied access to the public library, an experience which shaped her life-long passion for reading; She has worked tirelessly throughout her career mentoring young people and promoting the importance of libraries, and

**WHEREAS**, the Connecticut Library Association will present this award and recognize Mrs. Anderson's contributions to the library profession on Thursday, May 13, 2021.

**NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** by the 30<sup>th</sup> Board of Representatives that it thanks Mrs. Josephine Fulcher-Anderson for her continued service to the Stamford Community and congratulates her for being named the 2021 Outstanding Library of the Year by the Connecticut Library Association.

Approved by the 30<sup>th</sup> Board of Representatives this 7<sup>th</sup> day of June, 2021

Matthew Quinones, President	Susan Nabel, Clerk

