SENSE OF THE BOARD RESOLUTION CONGRATULATING MATTHEW FLEMING ON EARNING THE RANK OF EAGLE SCOUT

WHEREAS, Matthew Fleming, a student at Stamford High School and a member of Boy Scouts of America Troop 45, earned the rank of Eagle Scout on February 28, 2023; and

WHEREAS, Matthew Fleming had been on the path to becoming an Eagle Scout with his troop in Stamford beginning at age 11, but when that troop shut down he then joined Troop 45 in New Canaan, CT, which had restarted in the past few years after shutting down in the 1980s;

WHEREAS, to attain the Eagle rank, a Scout must earn at least 21 merit badges, fulfill leadership roles, display outdoor skills, demonstrate by example the Scout Oath and Law, and complete a comprehensive service project in the community, and

WHEREAS, Matthew Fleming's project in order to earn the rank of Eagle Scout was the cleaning and restoration of the Soldiers and Sailors Monument in Stamford, which records the history of Stamford residents who served our nation in time of war from the colonial wars to World War I; and

WHEREAS, in order to complete his project, Matthew Fleming coordinated with the Stamford Parks and Recreation Department, the Stamford Facilities Department and Stamford Downtown Special Services District; and

WHEREAS, Matthew Fleming used safe and effective cleaning methods to enhance the marble and stone elements of the monument and remove corrosion from the brass plaques that contain the names of those who served; and

WHEREAS, Matthew Fleming's efforts led to the replacement of the pavers around the base of the monument, further enhancing the monument's appearance.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the 31st Board of Representatives congratulates Matthew Fleming on earning the rank of Eagle Scout and for his service to our community.

Approved by the 31st Board of Representatives this 5th day of June, 2023

Jeff Curtis, President

Megan Cottrell, Clerk