

SENSE OF THE BOARD RESOLUTION THANKING THOSE FORMER 3RD GRADE K.T. MURPHY ELEMENTARY SCHOOL STUDENTS, WHO ARE NOW IN THE CLASS OF 2009 AT WESTHILL HIGH SCHOOL, FOR THEIR ENDURING EFFORTS TO SECURE A PLAYGROUND FOR FUTURE MURPHY STUDENTS.

WHEREAS, in 1999, a group of students in Mrs. Jacqueline Arcano's class at K.T. Murphy Elementary School, as part of a city program to do planning projects, came up with the suggestion that the City purchase neighboring property on Horton Street to expand the school's play area to include grass play areas in addition to the current asphalt play space; and

WHEREAS, on June 13, 2000, students from K.T. Murphy met with the Planning Board to present their proposal for adding green space to the school's play area, recognizing that their proposal, if adopted, would not benefit them, but would benefit future students; and

WHEREAS, in 2006, a property owner next door to the school, remembering this presentation, offered to sell his property to the City of Stamford in order to add green space to the school's play area; and

WHEREAS, the former K.T. Murphy students were invited to advocate for the purchase of the property before the Board of Representatives and the Board of Finance and did so; and

WHEREAS, due to the efforts of these former K.T. Murphy Elementary School students, who are now seniors at Westhill High School, the acquisition was approved and, on September 5, 2008, the green space was dedicated.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the 27th Board of Representatives that it congratulates the following former students from K.T. Murphy Elementary School: Mitch O'Meara, Brittany Vartuli, Stephen Totino, Rosemarie Agostinelli, Nadya Ali, Sonja Hennessy, Chris Bartram, Samantha Classen, Ryan Carey, Michael Gleason, Christopher Festa, Eshan Treasurer, Moseline Louis Charles, Anthony Pampena, Sarah Calicchio, Christina Freyeinet, Jean Paul Sempertegui, Jessica Villeda and Donnohue Lovelace, for their enduring efforts in obtaining green space for a playground for future students at the school.

*Submitted by Rep. Pauline Rauh (D-6) and Rep. Paul Esposito (D-4)
Approved this 6th day of October, 2008*



David R. Martin, President



Annie M. Summerville, Clerk