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SENSE OF THE BOARD RESOLUTION NO. 3282 SMITH HOUSE

WHEREAS, The Smith House provides a vital service to the sick and infirm people of Stamford; and

WHEREAS, The Smith House has been widely recognized for its superior performance and operation as a first class facility in Connecticut; and

WHEREAS, despite efficient and expert management, The Smith House incurs deficits due to insufficient Medicare and Medicaid reimbursements and the imposition by the State of Connecticut of a substantial Nursing Home Fee; and

WHEREAS, the 27th Board of Representatives deems it necessary and in the public interest to maintain The Smith House as a municipal facility; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Finance has taken action mandating the cut of \$750,000 in the operating budget of The Smith House for the upcoming fiscal year, which would result in an unsustainable 7% reduction in spending by The Smith House from current levels;

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the 27th Board of Representatives urges the Board of Finance to reinstate the \$750,000 by including said amount in the City budget's contingency fund; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the 27th Board of Representatives believes that the restoration of funds will relieve the pressure endured by the patients and staff of The Smith House resulting from the uncertainty created by the cut.

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This resolution was approved on the Consent Agenda at the regular monthly meeting of the 27th Board of Representatives held on Monday, May 4, 2009.



David R. Martin, President



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