SENSE OF THE BOARD RESOLUTION CONGRATULATING ERNEST N. ABATE ON BEING HONORED BY THE STAMFORD DEMOCRATIC CITY COMMITTEE FOR OUTSTANDING SERVICES TO THE STAMFORD COMMUNITY

WHEREAS, Ernest N. Abate is being honored by the Stamford Democratic City Committee for his contributions to the betterment of the City of Stamford at a dinner on Friday, September 11, 2015;

WHEREAS, Ernest N. Abate served as a captain in the Marine Corps from 1969 to 1972 as a trial/defense attorney, a staff judge advocate, and a military judge; and

WHEREAS, Ernest N. Abate was a member of the Connecticut House of Representatives from 1975 to 1983, serving as the chairman of the House Judiciary Committee from 1977 to 1978, and Speaker of the House from 1979 to 1983; and

WHEREAS, Ernest N. Abate was named as a "Best Legislator" by Connecticut Magazine in a 1982 poll of his peers: and

WHEREAS, Ernest N. Abate has practiced law in Stamford, Connecticut since 1972 and has been active in the legal community in Stamford and throughout Connecticut, as the Chairman of the Law Day Committee from 1975 to 1976; Chairman of the Connecticut Bar Association Legislative Liaison Committee in 1976; a member of the Connecticut Law Revision Commission from 1983 to 1985; and counsel to the Stamford Board of Realtors from 1989 to 1994.

WHEREAS, Ernest N. Abate has been dedicated to the City of Stamford and active in many political activities; he was a member of the Stamford Democratic City Committee, a delegate to the Democratic National Convention, and a Connecticut Gubernatorial Candidate in 1982; and

WHEREAS, Ernest N. Abate served on innumerable boards and commissions throughout Stamford and Connecticut, including the Ferguson Library, Stamford Hospital, Senior Services of Stamford, Kids in Crisis, Connecticut Public Television and Radio, the Mayor's Ethics Panel, and the Child Guidance Center.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the 29th Board of Representatives of the City of Stamford congratulates Ernest N. Abate on being honored by the Stamford Democratic City Committee for his outstanding services to the Stamford Community.

Approved by the 29th Board of Representatives this 8th day of September, 2015

Randall M. Skigen, President	Annie M. Summerville, Clerk