SENSE OF THE BOARD RESOLUTION CONGRATULATING THE STAMFORD PUBLIC EDUCATION FOUNDATION PARENT LEADERSHIP TRAINING INSTITUTE

UCONN PEOPLE EMPOWERING PEOPLE PROGRAM ON ITS 10TH ANNIVERSARY

WHEREAS, the Stamford Parent Leadership Training Institute or PLTI began the UConn People Empowering People (PEP) program in 2010 under the leadership of Ana Gallegos, who was a member of the Design Team at the time; and

WHEREAS, PEP was created to fully engage Spanish-speaking participants in understanding the connection between individuals and community action; and

WHEREAS, the PEP curriculum consists of ten weekly sessions focusing on values, communication, life skills, problem-solving, parenting, and developing leadership skills; and

WHEREAS, over the course of the 10 years, class participants have been treated to guest speakers, including the Mayor, the School Superintendent, legislators at the state and local level, as well as other public officials; and

WHEREAS, the Design Team, or "board" members are dedicated individuals volunteering time and talents to support PLTI's activities, in order to make the program free for participants; and

WHEREAS, the Design Team and class participants represent a microcosm of the Stamford community, with diverse racial, ethnic, socioeconomic, religious, language and education level groups; and

WHEREAS, PEP has graduated 244 leaders over the course of 10 years, some who have gone on to create non-profit organizations or elected to Boards of civics groups, among other leadership positions in our City.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the 30th Board of Representatives extends its best wishes and congratulations to the Stamford UConn People Empowering People Program as it celebrates its 10th anniversary; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Board of Representatives appreciates the important role of the Stamford Parent Leadership Training Institute has played in serving the citizens of the City of Stamford.

Approved by the 30th Board of Representatives this 4th day of January, 2021

Matthew Quinones, President

Susan Nabel, Clerk