

**SENSE OF THE BOARD RESOLUTION
COMMENDING RILEY JONES FOR HIS ADVOCACY
AROUND ADA COMPLIANCE**

WHEREAS; on July 28, 2021, Riley Jones, a sixth grader at the Stamford Charter School for Excellence, informed the City of a problem with disability access at Lockwood Avenue and Cove Road; and

WHEREAS; Riley Jones specifically informed the City that the cement foundation of a traffic signal controller box located on the sidewalk at the corner of Lockwood Avenue and Cove Road resulted in the sidewalk being only 31.5 inches at that corner and did not meet the requirements of the Americans with Disabilities Act, which notes that the minimum sidewalk width should be 36 inches; and

WHEREAS; Riley Jones provided substantial data and documentation to support the need for the modification of the sidewalk, including noting that the average width of a wheelchair is 32 inches, the average width of a walker is between 25 and 29 inches, and that the average width of a double side-by-side stroller is 40 inches, and providing photographs of the corner demonstrating the width; and

WHEREAS; as a result of Riley Jones' advocacy, the City was able to secure funds and to relocate the traffic signal controller at the corner of Lockwood Avenue and Cove Road in order to bring the corner into compliance with the Americans with Disabilities Act.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the 31st Board of Representatives commends and thanks Riley Jones for his dedication, hard work and advocacy on behalf of the citizens of Stamford.

Approved by the 31st Board of Representatives
this 7th day of March 2022

Jeff Curtis, President

Megan Cottrell, Clerk