

**SENSE OF THE BOARD RESOLUTION
CONGRATULATING MILDRED STABILE RITCHIE ON HER 100TH BIRTHDAY**

WHEREAS, Mildred Stabile Ritchie was born on Beckley Ave, Stamford CT on March 31, 1924 to Anthony and Jennie Stabile; and

WHEREAS, Mildred Stabile Ritchie attended the St. John School (K-8), Burdick Jr. High School (9th), and graduated from Stamford High School in the class of 1941; and

WHEREAS, Mildred Stabile Ritchie married George “Bud” Ritchie on October 6, 1945, and they had three children; and

WHEREAS, Mildred Stabile Ritchie worked for hometown companies, including Andrews Industry, the Blickensderfer Manufacturing Company, and Pitney Bowes, and finally working at Stamford Hospital from 1959 until her retirement in 1992; and

WHEREAS, Mildred Stabile Ritchie’s children all chose a life of service to the community: her son George A. Ritchie worked for the Stamford Board of Recreation for 27 years, daughter Jeanne Ritchie Lauer retired from Stamford Board of Education after 24 years in 2019, and daughter Patricia Ritchie Kellogg retired from the Stamford Board of Education after 25 years in 2023; and

WHEREAS, Mildred Stabile Ritchie began her political journey in the late 1960s through the 1980s and continues with her public and community services to this day: Ms. Ritchie was a member of the Republican Town Committee, at one time serving as its President; was a member of the Stamford Board of Representatives for the 10th District on the 14th and 15th Boards; and was a proud member of the Stamford Women’s Club. Ms. Ritchie also served on the Beautification Committee of the Downtown Special Services District with Sandra Goldstein; the Hubbard Heights Association; the Hubbard Heights Garden Club; and St. Leo’s Seniors; and

WHEREAS, Mildred Stabile Ritchie was proud to beautify Stamford by getting grant funds to paint electrical boxes throughout the city and enjoyed the process of hiring local artists to create more beauty for her friends and neighbors; and

WHEREAS, Mildred Stabile Ritchie is the proud matriarch of her family, which has grown to include 9 grandchildren and 10 great grandchildren; she loves Stamford and has always made herself available to help; and as a true Stamford native, will celebrate her 100th birthday on March 23, 2024 with a luncheon at Giovanni’s.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the 31st Board of Representatives that it thanks Mildred Stabile Ritchie for her service to the City of Stamford and congratulates her on her 100th birthday.

*Approved by the 31st Board of Representatives
this 4th day of March, 2024*

Jeff Curtis, President

Megan Cottrell, Clerk