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## RESOLUTION NO. 4400 CONGRATULATING ANGELA CARELLA ON HER RETIREMENT FROM HER JOURNALISM CAREER OF OVER 41 YEARS

WHEREAS, Angela Carella was born and raised in Stamford; and

WHEREAS, Ms. Carella graduated from Westhill High School, and went on to attend Southern Connecticut State University for her undergraduate degree and then attended New York University, earning her master's degree in journalism; and

WHEREAS, Ms. Carella worked for the Stamford Advocate from 1984 until 2020, and then worked for the Connecticut Examiner from 2022 until 2025; and

**WHEREAS**, at the Stamford Advocate, she worked in turn as a beat reporter, an investigative reporter, a columnist, an assignment editor, a page one editor and a features editor; and

**WHEREAS,** at the Connecticut Examiner, she covered all of Stamford, including City Hall, budgets, politics, boards and commissions, schools, neighborhoods, traffic and parking, zoning, development, the environment, ethics, housing, police, city history, profiles of residents, and breaking news; and

WHEREAS, Ms. Carella has reported on investigations that included a sexual abuse case involving a Stamford High School teacher, the school district's handling of teacher misconduct, nepotism in municipal hiring, activities of city contractors, developers' demolition of the Stamford boatyard, theft of city scrap metal, abuse of the absentee ballot system, double-selling of graves in a Stamford cemetery, the botched rebuild of the library branch by a contractor connected to organized crime, garbage hauler fraud at the city weigh station, and more; and

WHEREAS, Angela Carella has won numerous awards over her extensive journalism career, which spans over forty-one years, such as taking First Place in the General Column category of the Society of Professional Journalists Excellence in Journalism Awards and receiving the Theodore Driscoll Award for Investigative Reporting from the Society of Professional Journalists, Connecticut Chapter. Ms. Carella has also earned the Best Reporting Award by The Deadline Club, New York City Chapter for a series, "Stamford's Black Middle Class" and the Community Reporting Award for New England by the New England Society of Newspaper Editors.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, that the 31<sup>st</sup> Board of Representatives congratulates Ms. Angela Carella on her retirement after providing her journalism skills to better connect and serve our greater Stamford community.

This resolution was approved by a roll call vote of 21-2-6 at the regular monthly meeting of the 31<sup>st</sup> Board of Representatives held on Wednesday November 5<sup>th</sup>, 2025

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