

**SENSE OF THE BOARD RESOLUTION
CONGRATULATING RICHARD W. REDNISS ON BEING
SELECTED STAMFORD'S CITIZEN OF THE YEAR 2016**

WHEREAS, the Jewish War Veterans Post 142 sponsors and runs the City of Stamford's Annual Citizen of the Year Program and has selected Richard W. Redniss as Stamford's Citizen of the Year for 2016, as "[a] person who ... has demonstrated a belief in interfaith harmony, possesses the highest standards of responsibility in civic life, has helped in the promotion of projects for the public welfare and who has personally worked with distinction to benefit Stamford on a community-wide basis;" and

WHEREAS, Richard W. Redniss is a third generation resident of Stamford and lives with his wife in the Westover area, where they raised their two children, Seth and Lauren; he has been an integral part of the development of the City of Stamford, making it a better place to live and work, and has demonstrated a lifelong commitment to benefiting the Stamford community; and

WHEREAS, Richard W. Redniss' civic and charitable activities are too numerous to list completely: he was a member of Mayor Dannel Malloy's Taskforce on Affordable Housing; Co-Chair of Mayor Malloy's Task Force on Open Space; and a member of Governor Rowland's Blue Ribbon Commission on Affordable Housing; he has been involved with the Stamford Boys & Girls Club Foundation for over thirty years, including as a member of the Board, and was instrumental in getting the current building completed as well as the reopening of the Yerwood Center; and, most recently, he has been co-chair of the Board of Directors of the Fairfield County Hospice House, which will provide a much needed resource to residents of Fairfield County; and

WHEREAS, Richard W. Redniss has contributed time and energy to the Stamford Land Conservation Trust, Inc., the Downtown Special Services District; Person to Person; the Historic Neighborhood Preservation Program; the Mill River Park; the School Readiness Council; the Sisters, Little Workers of the Sacred Hearts; Temple Beth El; Congregation Agudath Sholom; and the Stamford Jewish Community Center.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the 29th Stamford Board of Representatives congratulates Richard W. Redniss for being selected Stamford Citizen of the Year 2016.

AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Board of Representatives sincerely thanks Richard W. Redniss for his many years of dedication, service and contributions to the City of Stamford.

*Approved by the 29th Board of Representatives
This 3rd day of April, 2017*

Randall M. Skigen, President

Annie M. Summerville, Clerk