

**SENSE OF THE BOARD RESOLUTION
CONGRATULATING CAROLYN TSCHINKEL
OF STILLMEADOW ELEMENTARY SCHOOL
ON BEING NAMED
2024-2025 STAMFORD TEACHER OF THE YEAR**

WHEREAS, Carolyn Tschinkel, a kindergarten teacher at Stillmeadow Elementary School, was selected by a committee of Stamford Public Schools teachers as the 2024-25 Stamford Teacher of the Year; and

WHEREAS, Carolyn Tschinkel is a 33-year teaching veteran who was recognized by the committee for her efforts to create a learning environment that meets the needs of Stamford's diverse student community, including differentiated instruction, hands-on centers and projects for tactile learners, wall displays and charts for visual learners, and music centers for auditory learners; and

WHEREAS, Carolyn Tschinkel always wanted to be a teacher in order to inspire students to be lifelong learners and develop a love of learning; she received her B.S. in elementary education and an M.S. in reading from St. John's University and began her teaching career in private schools in New York and then Connecticut before getting a job with the Stamford Public Schools as a reading specialist and then becoming a kindergarten teacher, where she has spent the majority of her career; and

WHEREAS, Carolyn Tschinkel enjoys watching the growth that kindergarten children make in class every year, creating hands-on projects for the children and seeing the excitement in their eyes when they are learning something new; she loves teaching and making her classroom an environment where the children are eager to learn, are risk takers where they are not afraid to make a mistake, and are curious to learn as much as they can and happy to be in school.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the 31st Board of Representatives congratulates Carolyn Tschinkel on being named 2024-2025 Stamford Teacher of the Year.

*Approved by the 31st Board of Representatives
this 3rd day of June, 2024*

Jeff Curtis, President

Megan Cottrell, Clerk