

**SENSE OF THE BOARD RESOLUTION
HONORING PRINCIPAL LINDA DARLING
ON HER RETIREMENT FROM HART MAGNET ELEMENTARY SCHOOL**

WHEREAS, Ms. Linda Darling is a lifelong citizen of Stamford, CT. She was born and raised in Stamford attending the Stamford Public Schools. She continues to live and work in our city;

WHEREAS, she started in the State of Connecticut in 1974 and began with the Stamford Public Schools in 1976. She will retire from the SPS at the end of June 2025 completing 49 years of service in the Stamford Public Schools; and

WHEREAS, Ms. Darling has worked at Stevens School, Ryle, Franklin, Hart Magnet, Stillmeadow, Northeast, Davenport and returned to Hart Magnet as Principal in 2007. Previously, she was the Principal of Davenport Ridge for approximately 10 years; and

WHEREAS, she taught middle as well as elementary grades. She has served as a curriculum developer, an administrative intern, assistant principal and principal. During her teaching years, she served as a Vice President of Elementary for the SEA, Stamford Education Association. She has also served on the executive board of the SAU, Stamford Administrative Unit; and

WHEREAS, in 2013, Ms. Darling received the Lone Pine Award and the Connecticut School of Distinction Award on behalf of Hart Magnet School; and

WHEREAS, in 2018, Ms. Darling was recognized as the Stamford Administrator of the Year by the Connecticut Association of School Administrators (CASA) for her commitment to the students and families of Stamford; and

WHEREAS, during her tenure at Hart Magnet School, Ms. Darling saw the potential from the onset of the Mill River Collaborative to encourage participation for all students in the appreciation and learning of the natural environment surrounding us in Stamford. To this day, Hart Magnet continues its partnership with Mill River where students understand the importance of maintaining habitats in an urban oasis; and

WHEREAS, Ms. Darling has an everlasting belief that all students can learn and succeed to their highest potential. She believes that the Stamford Public Schools continues to work in the best interests of students, and she is grateful to have had the opportunity to serve in this capacity for 49 years

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the 31st Board of Representatives honors Principal Linda Darling for her contributions to the education of the youth of Stamford, and her service to the larger Stamford community during her tenure at Stamford Public Schools.

*Approved by the 31st Board of Representatives
This 7th day of July 2025*

Jeff Curtis, President

Megan Cottrell, Clerk