

**SENSE OF THE BOARD RESOLUTION
CONGRATULATING THE STAMFORD POLICE SPECIAL RESPONSE TEAM FOR THEIR
2025 CONNECTICUT SWAT CHALLENGE WIN**

WHEREAS, the Stamford Police Special Response Team competed in the 2025 CT Swat Challenge in Hartford, CT against 26 other teams from across the country; and

WHEREAS, the team competed against elite SWAT teams and military units such as the US Army Rangers. The team finished in the top 5 in each of the seven events and first in two of the events; and

WHEREAS, the team finished 1st overall, winning the 21st Connecticut SWAT Challenge; and

WHEREAS, this exceptional achievement is a reflection of the hard work, professionalism and dedication to their craft of the entire Special Response Team; and

WHEREAS, the team competitors were Sgt. Kevin Becroft, Officer Jairo Builes, Sgt. Bryan Cooper, Detective Eric Cooper, Sgt. John Derisme, Officer Matt Harrison, Officer Marty Lavigne, Sgt. Matt Romano, and Detective Justin Rosado; and

WHEREAS, the team will be competing at the 2025 National SWAT Championship which brings together the best in law enforcement for the ultimate test of skill, teamwork and the relentless dedication to always-ready mentality, to be held at Staccato Vegas in Nevada.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the 31st Board of Representatives that it congratulates the Stamford Police Special Response Team on their 2025 Connecticut SWAT Challenge victory; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that it congratulates all members of the team: Lt. Jay Alvarez, Captain Chris Baker, Sgt. Kevin Becroft, Officer Jairo Builes, Sgt. Bryan Cooper, Detective Eric Cooper, Sgt. John Derisme, Officer Matt Harrison, Sgt. Tom Landry, Officer Marty Lavigne, Sgt. Pete Malanga, Detective John McClafferty, Sgt. Connor Pennoyer, Sgt. Matt Romano, Sgt. Damein Rosa, Detective Justin Rosado, Officer Vinny Sheperis, and Sgt. Alex Stock.

*Approved by the 31st Board of Representatives
this 6th day of October 2025*

Nina Sherwood, President

Megan Cottrell, Clerk