SENSE OF THE BOARD RESOLUTION CONGRATULATING THE TRANSPORTATION, TRAFFIC AND PARKING BUREAU ON THE BOXER SQUARE REVITALIZATION PROJECT BEING AWARDED THE TOP REGIONAL PRIZE FOR "QUALITY OF LIFE/COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT"

WHEREAS, Stamford's Boxer Square Revitalization Project has won the top regional prize for "Quality of Life/Community Development" in a competition sponsored by the Northeast Association of State Transportation Officials (NASTO); and

WHEREAS, the Boxer Square Revitalization Project was submitted by the Connecticut DOT's Community Connectivity Program, which is designed to create opportunities to improve connections for biking, walking, and public transit in community centers and which awarded the City of Stamford received \$400,000 under the Community Connectivity Grant program to improve transportation options and create a community space in Boxer Square; and

WHEREAS, the Boxer Square Revitalization Project, which was completed in 2019, improves traffic operations, provides safer connections to alternative transportation options (biking, walking, and public transit), and incorporates the square's namesake boxer statue, bringing new economic opportunities and enhanced the quality of life for everyone who lives in or visits the community; and

WHEREAS, as a regional winner, the Boxer Square Revitalization Project will be among 12 projects entered in a second competition for two top prizes—the Grand Prize, chosen by an independent panel of judges, and the People's Choice Award, which is determined by the public through online voting, each of which carries a \$10,000 cash prize to support a transportation-related scholarship or charitable cause.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the 30th Board of Representatives congratulates the Transportation, Traffic and Parking Bureau on being awarded the Top Regional Prize from the NASTO for "Quality of Life/Community Development" for the Boxer Square Revitalization project.

Approved by the 30th Board of Representatives This 5th day of October, 2020

Matthew Quinones, President

30th Board of Representatives

Susan Nabel, Clerk

30th Board of Representatives