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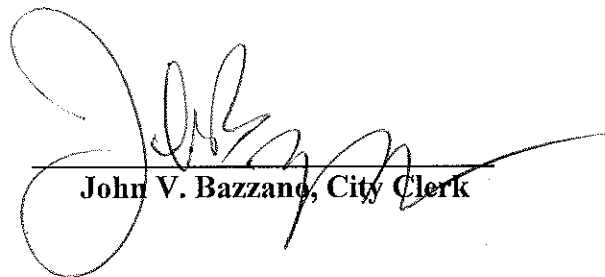
JOHN V. BAZZANO  
TOWN & CITY CLERK  
REGISTRAR OF VITAL STATISTICS

January 9, 2018

Honorable Luke A. Bronin, Mayor

Dear Mayor Bronin:

Please find attached the following resolutions that were passed at a regular meeting of the Court of Common Council on January 8, 2018. I have duly certified these documents and respectfully send them to you for your review.



John V. Bazzano, City Clerk

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This is to certify that at a meeting of the Court of Common Council, January 8, 2018, the following RESOLUTION was passed.

**WHEREAS**, The benefits of solar energy in addressing the climate crisis and stimulating the economy are well-known; and

**WHEREAS**, It is the policy of the State of Connecticut to, in part, "... develop and utilize alternative energy resources, such as solar and wind energy, to the maximum practical extent ..." ; and

**WHEREAS**, Connecticut residents continue to pay among the highest electricity rates in the continental United States; and

**WHEREAS**, Over 21,000 Connecticut residents installed solar arrays on their properties<sup>1</sup> from 2012 through March 31, 2017, taking action against global warming and reducing their electricity bills; and

**WHEREAS**, Only 205 Hartford residents installed solar during the same period; and

**WHEREAS**, Hartford residents have significantly less opportunity than residents of suburban and rural towns to install solar because they are more likely to live in multi-family or rental housing, among other reasons; and

**WHEREAS**, Residential solar installations are made possible in part by CT Green Bank rebates with funds contributed by all ratepayers through monthly electric bills; and

**WHEREAS**, The gap between what Hartford residents pay to support solar and the benefits they receive will continue to widen without policies that allow residents to participate in larger arrays located elsewhere; and


**WHEREAS**, Many states, including New York and Massachusetts, have addressed this inequity by passing shared solar laws that allow customers to participate in larger arrays away from their homes, with the benefits credited to their bills; and

**WHEREAS**, The Connecticut General Assembly has not approved such legislation; now, therefore, be it

**RESOLVED** That:

1. *The City of Hartford's Court of Common Council* recognizes that Hartford and Connecticut energy goals are more likely to be achieved if every resident has an equal opportunity to access clean energy sources, and that the absence of shared solar legislation is an obstacle to Hartford residents' ability to use clean energy today.
2. *The City of Hartford's Court of Common Council* calls on its elected representatives in the Connecticut General Assembly, Governor Malloy, and Eversource to support shared solar legislation, and encourages its residents to become informed about the issue and communicate their views to their representatives.
3. *The City of Hartford's Court of Common Council* will promote the availability of shared solar to its residents to support subscriptions to LMI households.

**Attest:**

  
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This is to certify that at a meeting of the Court of Common Council, January 8, 2018, the following SUBSTITUTE RESOLUTION was passed.

**WHEREAS,** The City of Hartford and its residents face increasingly intense weather patterns during all seasons, due to climate change, and municipalities across the nation are preparing to become more resilient in the face of a changing climate; and

**WHEREAS,** Future environmental activities and projects that are related to energy, food, landscape, transportation, waste, and water can benefit residents by improving economic development, public health, and social equity; and

**WHEREAS,** To date, in Hartford, there have been a series of successes and ongoing projects related to climate resilience led by community stakeholders, government agencies, nonprofits, and area businesses; and

**WHEREAS,** The City of Hartford's Climate Stewardship Council, a resident-led working group of the Planning and Zoning Commission, has drafted and approved a Climate Action Plan which identifies ways in which climate resilience may be measurably improved while also positively affecting resident quality of life; and

**WHEREAS,** The City of Hartford embraces an ongoing process of working toward greater sustainability and has identified, as a resource, "Sustainable CT", a statewide, action-oriented voluntary certification program built by and for municipalities; and

**WHEREAS,** Municipalities which register with Sustainable CT have access to information on best practices, partnerships and collaborations, and grant opportunities, and achieve certification by choosing and implementing actions from a menu of choices; and

**WHEREAS**, The City of Hartford now has a 100% grant-funded Sustainability Office to coordinate efforts related to the Climate Action Plan implementation and Sustainable CT certification; now, therefore, be it

**RESOLVED**, That the Hartford Court of Common Council hereby adopts the Climate Action Plan, and supports efforts to pursue associated projects and promote results to improve the health and well-being of Hartford's residents; and be it further

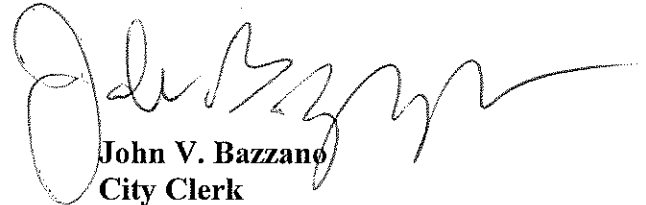
**RESOLVED**, That the Hartford Court of Common Council hereby authorizes the City Sustainability Coordinator to serve as Hartford's Sustainable CT contact person for the Sustainable CT Municipal Certification process and authorizes her to complete Municipal Registration on behalf of the City of Hartford; and be it further

**RESOLVED**, That, to focus attention and effort within Hartford on matters of sustainability and to promote the Council's local initiatives and actions toward Sustainable CT Municipal Certification, the Hartford Court of Common Council identifies the Planning & Zoning Commission as the City's Sustainability Team; and be it further

**RESOLVED**, That the first meeting of the Sustainability Team must be held within 90 days of passage of this resolution and that the Sustainability Team shall meet as frequently as needed, but no less than quarterly; and be it further

**RESOLVED**, That the Sustainability Team shall report annually to the Hartford Court of Common Council on the progress of its activities toward Sustainable CT certification, with reports and presentations made publicly available.

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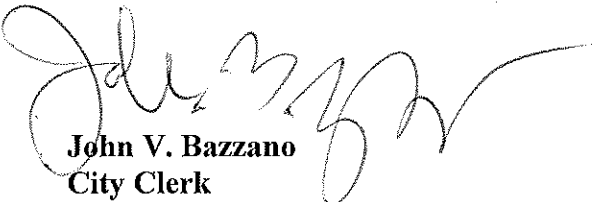
This is to certify that at a meeting of the Court of Common Council, January 8, 2018, the following RESOLUTION was passed.

**RESOLVED**, That Glendowlyn Thames be and is hereby appointed as Council President, for the term commencing January 8, 2018 and ending December 31, 2019.

**RESOLVED**, That Julio A. Concepcion be and is hereby re-appointed as President Officer Pro Tempore, also known as Majority Leader, for the term commencing January 8, 2018 and ending December 31, 2019.

**RESOLVED**, That Wildaliz Bermudez be and is hereby re-appointed as Minority Leader, for the term commencing January 8, 2018 and ending December 31, 2019.

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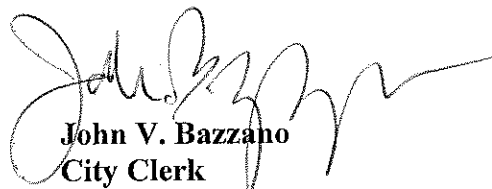
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**RESOLVED**, That John Q. Gale be and is hereby re-appointed as Assistant Majority Leader, for the term commencing January 8, 2018 and ending December 31, 2019.

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**WHEREAS**, Our Nation has set aside the month of February for Honoring African Americans/ Blacks in these United States; and

**WHEREAS**, We in the City of Hartford have many influential residents and heroes of our own who have made major contributions to the success of our city; and

**WHEREAS**, It is the belief of this council that these individuals also deserve to be honored; now, therefore, be it

**RESOLVED**, That the Court of Common Council will honor such individuals on the First Friday in February 2018 in the city hall Atrium located at 550 Main Street from the hours of 6pm to 9pm; and be it further

**RESOLVED**, That the Court of Common Council allocate \$500 for the refreshments to be served to the honorees, their family members and residents of our city.

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**WHEREAS**, The City of Hartford has been awarded a Grant in the amount of \$1,900,000 by the Connecticut Department of Economic and Community for the stabilization, abatement and demolition of City-owned property located at 367, 393 and 424 Homestead Avenue in the Upper Albany Neighborhood; and

**WHEREAS**, The purpose of this project is to address the longstanding environmental contamination of these three properties and to prepare them for sale and redevelopment; and

**WHEREAS**, The DECD grant funding will be utilized to secure the necessary environmental consultants, general contractors and other firms that will be required to lead and execute the project, and

**WHEREAS**, The City and DECD will work together to prepare a financial assistance proposal which will outline the key terms of the grant and any conditions that the City will need to meet; now, therefore, be it

**RESOLVED**, that the Mayor is hereby authorized to accept \$1,900,000 in grant funds from the Connecticut Department of Economic and Community Development through Round 11 of the Remedial Action and Redevelopment Municipal Grant Program; and be it further

**RESOLVED**, That the Mayor is authorized to accept such further sums as may be additionally awarded by the grantor under the same program, for the same authorized contract period, and for the same purposes, and be it further

**RESOLVED**, That the Mayor is authorized to execute any and all manner of other documents and to take such other actions as he and the Corporation Counsel may deem

appropriate and in the best interests of the City in order to receive, contract and expend the above referenced grant funds, and be it further

**RESOLVED**, That no person or entity shall be entitled to rely on, or otherwise claim any benefit by reason of this resolution should the Mayor fail to execute the aforementioned agreement or other documents, or to take any of the aforesaid actions, and be it further

**RESOLVED**, That all approvals and authorizations provided hereby are contingent upon, and only shall be effective on and by means of, the parties executing such documents, and taking such actions, all of which shall be, in form and substance, acceptable to the Mayor and the Corporation Counsel.

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This is to certify that at a meeting of the Court of Common Council, January 8, 2018, the following RESOLUTION was passed.

**WHEREAS**, The City of Hartford must explore all possible cost saving approaches; and

**WHEREAS**, Reducing the costs of essential city services is a priority for the city of Hartford; and

**WHEREAS**, the city of Hartford's current contractual agreement with the Municipal Materials Innovation and Recycling Authority(MIRA) does not align with the goal of reducing the costs of essential services; and

**WHEREAS**, The City of Hartford pays an equal amount as other Connecticut Municipalities and additional depositors for the disposal of its solid waste, although the site is within the city limits and thereby has deleterious effects to Hartford; and

**WHEREAS**, A Request for Proposals process led by the Connecticut Department of Energy and Environmental Protection and MIRA solicited proposals for the development of a new waste system that will assist the state in the disposal of waste by 2024 has not resulted in an economically feasible alternative to the Hartford disposal facility; and

**WHEREAS**, The Public Works, Parks and Environment Committee unanimously voted in favor of the Resolution opposing the appointment of a new MIRA operator and that the Court of Common Council authorized the creation and implementation of a Hartford Solid Waste Task Force at its October 4, 2017 meeting; and

**WHEREAS**, The Hartford Court of Common Council placed the Resolution of Opposition to appointing a new Mira operator and authorized the creation and implementation of a Hartford Solid Waste Task Force to develop options other than the current trash disposal arrangement

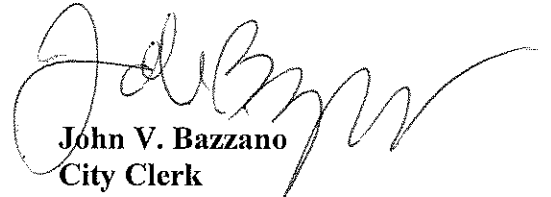
with MIRA, which will result in lower disposal costs and the recovery by the City of land occupied by MIRA in the South Meadows for critical future economic development; and

**WHEREAS**, The CT Department of Environmental Protection chose Sacyr Rooney as the new developer and operator of the MIRA trash to energy plant in Hartford before Hartford's Solid waste task force completed its research and analysis; and

**WHEREAS**, The Mayor of the City of Hartford or his delegates attend all meetings relative to the negotiations between MIRA, DEEP and the chosen developer of the Trash to energy plant; now, therefore, be it

**RESOLVED**, That The Court of Common Council requests that the Mayor of the City of Hartford designates councilmembers and members who serve on the Solid Waste Task Force as delegates who will participate in all meetings relative to the Materials Innovations and Recycling Authority (MIRA), Department of Energy and Environment Protection (DEEP) and the chosen developer (Sacyr-Rooney).

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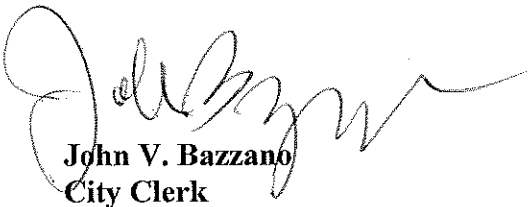
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**WHEREAS**, The Court of Common Council adopted its Council Rules on February 8, 2016 where the members of the standing committees were appointed; now, therefore, be it

**RESOLVED**, That the Council rules be amended, reflecting changes specifically to section IX as it pertains to standing committees and its members, be it further

**RESOLVED**, That Operations Management and Budget and Housing Committee be amended reflecting Councilman Thomas J. Clarke II as Co-Chair and a member of the Parks and Public Works Committee.

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