

Court of Common Council



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This is to certify that at a meeting of the Court of Common Council, January 14, 2008, the following RESOLUTION was passed.

WHEREAS, There are approximately 2,200 births yearly in the City of Hartford; and

WHEREAS, Maternal and Infant Outreach Program (MIOP) offers case management, outreach and care coordination services to approximately 500 high risk pregnant women residing in the City; and


WHEREAS, The MIOP Program offers pre-natal health education to all pre-natal and post-partum women participants of the program; and

WHEREAS, The program will continue to enhance its services by acquiring and training all case managers to use the March of Dimes Pregnancy Workshop and Comenzando Bien curriculums; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That the Mayor and the Court of Common Council do hereby authorize the Health and Human Services Department to apply for and receive funds if awarded from the Connecticut Chapter of March of Dimes in the amount of \$2,010; and be it further

RESOLVED, That the Mayor or the Mayor's designee is hereby authorized to make, execute and approve on behalf of the City, any and all contracts, sub-contracts and amendments as required by this grant.

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WHEREAS, The Department of Health and Human Services applied for the Arts Presentation Grant Program for funding to support eight performances of "The Troubadour Trails" by Jeff McQuillan and Mike Kachuba; and

WHEREAS, The Department has received notice of a \$830 award from the Connecticut Commission on Culture and Tourism and National Endowment for the Arts; and

WHEREAS, These performances would take place between January and June 2008 at a total of eight daycare, recreation, senior and library center/programs; and

WHEREAS, The arts are an essential part of enhancing creative thinking, feelings of well being and social skills. The funding helps to support the City's ability to reach audiences that do not always have the opportunity, financial means, transportation and other resources to see and experience the arts. Jeff McQuillan and Mike Kachuba will provide audiences the opportunity to hear, see and participate with instruments, music, songs and stories from all over the world; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That the City through the Department of Health and Human Services be authorized to take the necessary actions to accept the award from the Connecticut Commission on Culture and Tourism and National Endowment for the Arts to provide these performances; and be it further

RESOLVED, That the Mayor is hereby further 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 effectuate the above transaction; 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 other 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 agreements and 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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WHEREAS, The HUD mandated annual census of Hartford's homeless population is scheduled to take place during the last week of January 2008; and

WHEREAS, Each year this census is undertaken by the Community Renewal Team, Inc. in conjunction with the Hartford Continuum of Care and Hartford Hospital's Institute for Outcomes Research and Evaluation; and

WHEREAS, Data gathered in this census is essential for the development of priorities in the City's Consolidated Plan, the completion of the Hartford Continuum of Care's annual funding application to HUD, and the measurement of homeless funding expenditures; and

WHEREAS, Information gathered from this census is also crucial to the implementation of "Journey Home - Ten Year Plan to End Homelessness in the Capitol Region"; and

WHEREAS, This census is an eligible CDBG administrative activity pursuant to the Code of Federal Regulations at 24 CFR Part 570.206(a) (1) (vi); now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That the Court of Common Council authorizes the Mayor to allocate \$10,000 in Community Development Block Grant administrative funds to Community Renewal Team, Inc. (CRT) for the costs associated with conducting the census of Hartford's homeless population, and to negotiate and enter into an agreement with CRT for the necessary services to carry out said census; and be it further

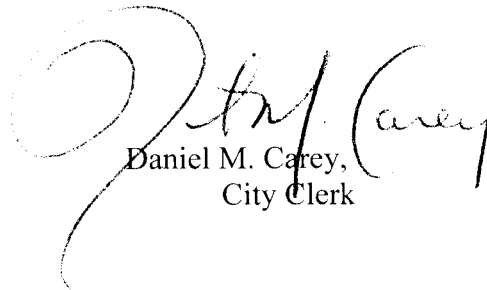
RESOLVED, That the Mayor is hereby authorized to execute any and all manner of other documents and to take such other actions as he and the Corporation Counsel may

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This is to certify that at a meeting of the Court of Common Council, January 14, 2008, the following RESOLUTION was passed.

WHEREAS, There are approximately 27,582 women of childbearing age (almost one quarter of the City's population). From 2001-2004, there were 6,496 births to Hartford women of which almost one-fifth were to teenage mothers; and

WHEREAS, Between 2001 and 2004, only 72 percent of Hartford's pregnant women received prenatal care in the first trimester. There were 106 live births with late to no prenatal care of which 58 percent were Hispanic and 27.6 percent were Black; and

WHEREAS, Hartford has the highest teen birth rate in Connecticut, 19 percent of babies born in Hartford are to teen mothers; nearly one in every six ages 15-19 giving birth; and

WHEREAS, Between 2002-2004, there were 55 infant deaths, of which 47 percent were to Black women. The overall infant mortality rate was 8.5 percent. However, the rate among Black women is higher at 10.76 percent, almost double the State's 2004 rate of 5.6 percent; and

WHEREAS, State-wide, the rate of low birth weight infants is 1.6 percent. Hartford's rate is 8.1 percent for the period 2001-2004. The low birth weight is considerably higher among Black babies with 9.8 percent born with a low birth weight and 3.4 percent with a very low birth weight; and

WHEREAS, There is a Hartford Healthy Start: Eliminating Disparities Grant made available through the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services Maternal and Child Health Bureau in the amount of \$650,000 per year for the next four years; and

WHEREAS, The overall intent of the Hartford Healthy Start Grant is to enhance capacity for a comprehensive maternal and child health system in Hartford building upon an established functional infrastructure that will result in improved birth outcomes; and

WHEREAS, The Hartford Healthy Start Grant will focus primarily on African American women and their infants and children residing in the City of Hartford in order to improve

maternal health and birth outcomes. Through this care, we anticipate serving up to 2,337 low-income pregnant and post-partum over a four year period; and

WHEREAS, A Healthy Start Consortium will be established as required to provide oversight to the grant program. This consortium will minimally be comprised of institutions that provide medical and other care to women and children, the Connecticut Department of Public Health – Title V, community-based agencies and groups, and have consumer/resident participation; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That the Mayor and the Court of Common Council do hereby authorize the Health and Human Services Department to apply for and receive funds if awarded for the Hartford Healthy Start: Eliminating Disparities Grant in the amount of \$650,000 each year for four years; and be it further

RESOLVED, That the Mayor or the Mayor's designee is hereby authorized to enter into contracts with Hispanic Health Council for service provision and the University of Connecticut for the required local evaluation of the Hartford Healthy Start Project; and be it further

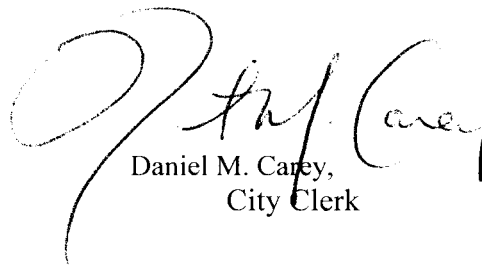
RESOLVED, That the Mayor or the Mayor's designee is hereby authorized to make, execute and approve on behalf of the City, any and all contracts, sub-contracts and amendments as required by this grant.

RESOLVED, That the Mayor is hereby further 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 effectuate the above transaction; and be it further

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WHEREAS, In 1998, the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) awarded the City of Hartford a \$2 million Brownfield Economic Development Initiative (BEDI) Grant in conjunction with a \$5 million Section 108 loan for the Front Street Retail/Entertainment portion of the Adriaen's Landing Project; and

WHEREAS, HUD rescinded the BEDI Grant due to the delay in identifying a developer; and

WHEREAS, HUD has re-opened the application process for new BEDI grants; and

WHEREAS, To meet the new application deadline, the City determined the need to secure the services of an outside firm to prepare and submit the new BEDI application; and

WHEREAS, Development Solutions, Inc., has previously prepared and submitted successful Section 108 applications for the City and over 30 other entities, as well as numerous BEDI applications; and

WHEREAS, Development Solutions, Inc., has an existing contract with the City and is able to prepare and submit the application in a timely manner; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That retroactively to December 26, 2007, the Court of Common Council authorizes the Mayor to apply for and accept a BEDI Grant in the amount of \$2 million to be used for the Front Street Retail/Entertainment Project; and be it further

RESOLVED, That the Court of Common Council authorizes the Mayor to increase the amount of the City's current contract with Development Solutions, Inc. by an amount not to exceed \$16,000 in UDAG funds in order to prepare the BEDI application and eventual agreements between HUD and the City, and between the City and the Developer; and be it further

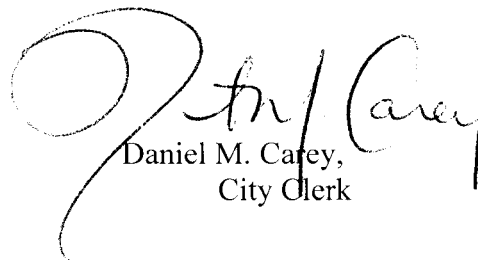
RESOLVED, That the Court of Common Council authorizes the Mayor to execute all necessary documents and agreements; and be it further

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WHEREAS, It is a priority of the City of Hartford and the Hartford Police Department to develop positive relationships with the public and media; and

WHEREAS, Improved communication with residents, businesses, and the media is beneficial to improved police services; and

WHEREAS, The position of Public Information Officer plays an essential role in improving communication and building positive relationships with the public and media; now, therefore, be it

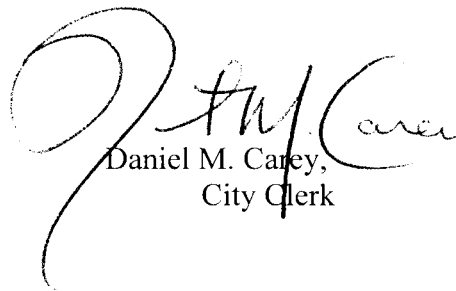
RESOLVED, That the Mayor, or his designee, on behalf of the City of Hartford, is hereby authorized to enter into a contract for professional services between the City of Hartford and Nancy M. Mulroy for public information services to the Hartford Police Department for a period beginning January 1, 2008 through December 31, 2008, with three one year annual extensions on approval by the Court of Common Council; and be it further

RESOLVED, That the Mayor is hereby further 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 effectuate the above transaction; and be it further

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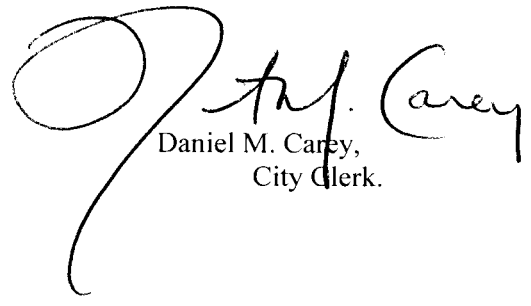
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RESOLVED, That concerning the unencumbered balances of the General Fund (1001) appropriations made for Fiscal Year 2006-2007, the Mayor is hereby authorized to make transfers during the Fourth Quarter to the General Fund functions in the following amounts:

| <u>FUNCTION</u> | <u>AMOUNT</u> |
|---------------------------------|---------------|
| General Government | \$156,586 |
| Public Safety | \$1,119,951 |
| Infrastructure | \$516,752 |
| Development & Community Affairs | \$50,848 |
| Benefits and Insurances | \$211,113 |
| Health & Human Services | (\$95,970) |
| Total | \$1,959,280 |

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WHEREAS, The City of Hartford acknowledges the contributions and sacrifices made by members of the uniformed services; and

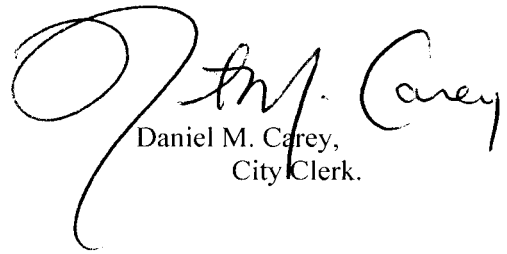
WHEREAS, The City of Hartford supports our employees who are also members of the uniformed services; and

WHEREAS, The City of Hartford affirms its commitment to administer employment and reemployment rights in accordance with the Uniformed Services Employment and Reemployment Rights Act (USERRA) of 1994; and

WHEREAS, The City of Hartford recognizes that activation to military duty can have significant impact on an individual and his/her family; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That the Court of Common Council authorizes the Director of Human Resources and Labor Relations to revise the existing military leave policy and procedures for qualified full-time employees who are members of the uniformed services and who are called to active duty. Each employee shall receive, if his/her military pay is less than his/her base salary, the difference between his/her base salary and his/her military salary for up to a total of one (1) year during his/her employment with the City of Hartford. Additionally, any existing health insurance coverage provided by the City of Hartford shall continue for up to a total of one (1) year while such individual is on an approved military leave.

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This is to certify that at a meeting of the Court of Common Council, January 14, 2008, the following RESOLUTION was passed.

WHEREAS, Mr. Hales, after many years of serving his community, passed away on January 10, 2007; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Hales, working from the offices of the Hartford Inquirer at the corner of Main Street and Tower Avenue, touched every corner of his community through his newspaper; and

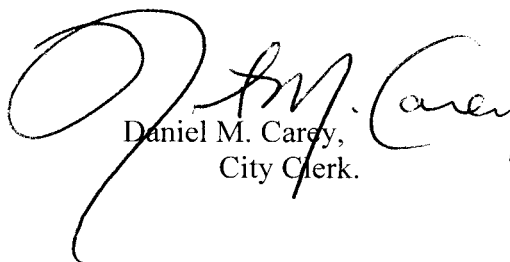
WHEREAS, Mr. Hales, through advertising opened up knowledge of the many businesses and churches in the pages of his newspaper; and

WHEREAS, The newspaper business is a difficult business as are so many of the organizations, churches, and businesses featured in his newspaper, and yet, he kept at his mission with persistence and resilience even in hard times; and

WHEREAS, He has offered support to past and present officials in the City regardless of political affiliation as a way of supporting his community and the welfare of the City, now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That the City honor Mr. Hales by naming the corner on which he did business at Main Street and Tower Avenue as William R. Hales Corner.

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RESOLVED, That the following individual is hereby appointed to the Greater Hartford Transit District for a period beginning on November 13, 2007 and ending on July 6, 2011:

- Jason W. Barone-Cichocki (D) of 17 Montrose Street, Hartford, 06106.

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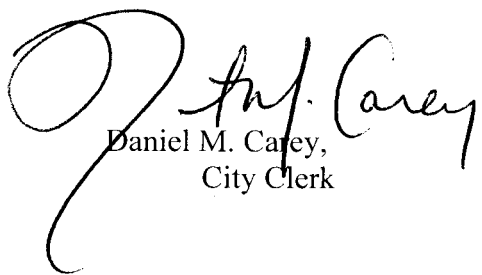
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RESOLVED, That the following individual is hereby appointed to the Commission on HIV/AIDS for a period beginning January 14, 2008 and ending February 28, 2011:

- Erica Roggeveen Byrne (D) of 31 Woodland Street, Apt. 8-G, Hartford, 06105.

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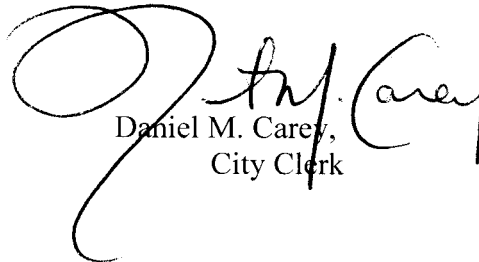
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RESOLVED, That the following individual is hereby appointed to the Human Relations Commission beginning January 14, 2008 and ending February 24, 2011:

- Michael Brescia (U) of 386 Linnmoore Street, Hartford, 06106.

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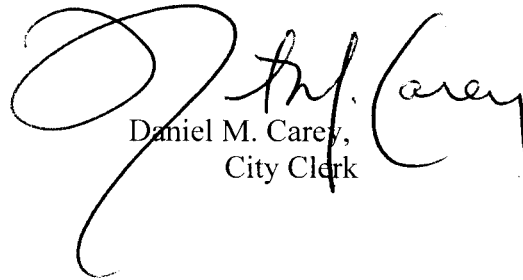
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RESOLVED, That the following individual is hereby appointed to the Planning and Zoning Commission beginning on January 14, 2008 and ending on February 1, 2011:

- David Jorgensen (D), of 277 Oxford Street, Hartford, 06105 (alternate member).

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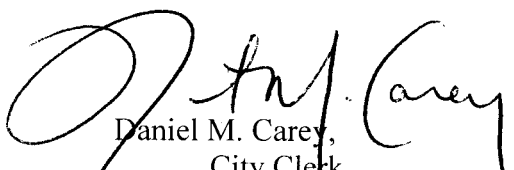
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RESOLVED, That the following individuals are hereby reappointed to the Permanent Commission on the Status of Hartford Women beginning on January 14, 2008 and ending September 1, 2010:

- Tamelia W. Joyner (D), of 232 Farmington Avenue, Apt. G-6, Hartford, 06105 (former chair, reappointed to general member).
- Carmen D. Amore (D), of 111 N. Beacon Street, Hartford, 06105.

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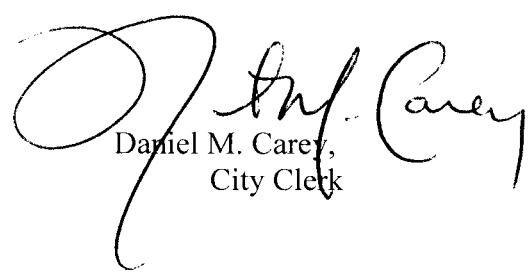
WHEREAS, On September 10, 2007 the Hartford City Council supported the creation of a Hartford Property Tax Task Force to develop recommendations to the Mayor and Court of Common Council for consideration by the General Assembly for immediate State tax reforms to be proposed in the 2008 Legislative Session that would relieve any unfair shifts in tax burdens resulting from the last City revaluation to the business community, while at the same time protecting residential taxpayers; and

WHEREAS, On November 26, 2007, the Hartford Property Tax Reform Task Force requested an extension of its deadline to complete its work and provide a report to the Council and Mayor to provide recommendations that may require action by the General Assembly to December 31, 2007 and complete all remaining work by January 31, 2008; and

WHEREAS, The Task Force completed its first set of recommendations requiring action by the General Assembly; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That the Hartford City Council receive the first set of recommendations for review by both the City Council's Finance and Legislative Committees.

Attest:


Daniel M. Carey,
City Clerk