

Court of Common Council

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November 28, 2011

This is to certify that at a meeting of the Court of Common Council, November 28, 2011, the following RESOLUTION was passed.

Whereas, The Connecticut Department of Transportation (DOT) awards grants to municipalities for enhanced DUI enforcement in order to reduce the number of crashes, injuries and fatalities resulting from impaired driving, and

Whereas, The City of Hartford has been awarded a grant of \$159,840.57 through DOT's FY 2012 Comprehensive DUI Enforcement Program, and

Whereas, These grant funds will allow the Hartford Police Department to conduct high visibility enforcement activities such as checkpoints and roving patrols during holiday periods throughout the year, and

Whereas, Grant funds will be used to fund the overtime costs of the police officers who implement the enforcement activities and the required match of \$53,280.19 will be met through the cost of fringe benefits which will be covered by the Police Department's General Fund budget, now, therefore, be it

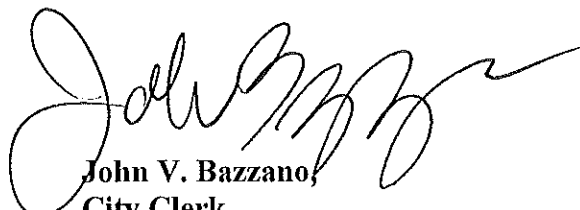
Resolved, That the Mayor is hereby authorized to accept the FY 2012 Comprehensive DUI Enforcement Program in the amount of \$159,840.57 from the Connecticut Department of Transportation, Highway Safety Office, and be it further

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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Whereas, The State of Connecticut, Department of Emergency Services and Public Protection, Division of Emergency Management and Homeland Security, has notified the City of Hartford of its intention to award, to the City, a grant in the amount of \$31,771.95 in Fiscal Year 2009 Federal funds, made available through the State Homeland Security Program (SHSP), and

Whereas, Funds are to be used to enhance the City's preparedness for acts of terrorism and other hazardous incidents, and

Whereas, City of Hartford has identified the need to maintain and enhance their capability for prevention of, protection from, response to, and recovery from incidents involving WMDs (weapons of mass destruction), IEDs (improvised explosive devices), and CBRNEs (chemical, biological, radiological, nuclear, and explosive devices), and

Whereas, The Hartford Police Department's Bomb Squad is accredited by the Federal Bureau of Investigation and has served the city and the Hartford region for more than 40 years, and

Whereas, Funds from this grant will allow the Police Department to purchase new equipment and upgrade existing equipment used to detect and render safe IEDs, WMDs, and CBRNEs, now, therefore, be it

Resolved, That the Mayor is hereby authorized to accept the Federal Fiscal Year 2009 State Homeland Security Program grant from the State of Connecticut, Department of Emergency Services and Public Protection in the amount of \$31,771.95 for a contract period ending April 30, 2012, and be it further

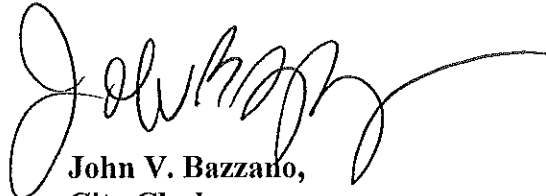
Resolved, That the Mayor is authorized to execute any and all manner of other documents and to take such other actions as he and the Corporation Counsel may deem

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

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This is to certify that at a meeting of the Court of Common Council, November 28, 2011, the following RESOLUTION was passed.

Whereas, The Children's Trust Fund, which is a division of the Connecticut Department of Social Services, has made available to the City approximately \$656,394 in Nurturing Families Network Grant funds for the three-year period from January 1, 2012 through December 31, 2014, and

Whereas, Nurturing Families Network sites are available throughout the state and Hartford's program is operated by the Department of Health & Human Services, and

Whereas, The Nurturing Families Network provides information, guidance and assistance to first-time parents, at no cost to the clients, in order to prevent child abuse and neglect, and

Whereas, The Network integrates home visiting services, parenting groups, and connections with other families and parents in a program which has been shown to help first time parents become more self-sufficient, spend more time with their children and become more sensitive to their needs and has been effective in reducing the incidence of child abuse and neglect among participating parents, now, therefore, be it

Resolved, That the City is hereby authorized to apply for and accept a Nurturing Families Network Grant in the approximate amount of \$656,394 from the Children's Trust Fund of the Connecticut Department of Social Services, and be it further

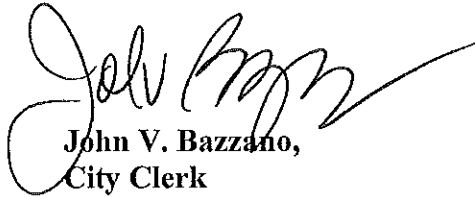
Resolved, That the Mayor is authorized to execute any and all manner of other documents and to take such other actions as he and the Corporation Counsel may deem appropriate and in the best interests of the City in order to receive, contract and expend the above referenced grant funds, and be it further

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, and be it further

Resolved, That City of Hartford hereby affirms its policy to support the Non-Discrimination Agreements and Warranties required under Connecticut General Statute § 4a-60(a)(1) and § 4a-60a(a)(1), as amended in State of Connecticut Public Act 07-245 and Sections 9(a)(1) and 10(a)(1) of Public Act 07-142, as those statutes may be amended from time to time.

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Whereas, The U.S. Department of Justice, Bureau of Justice Assistance, has notified the City of Hartford that it has granted the City \$569,715 for the STARR (Striving to Attain Recidivism Reduction) Initiative, and

Whereas, The STARR Initiative, developed by the Mayor's Office of Constituent Services in partnership with Community Partners in Action, addresses re-entry obstacles faced by previously incarcerated individuals through the provision of comprehensive services, including long term pre- and post-release case management services, in order to assist such individuals in successfully adjusting to life back in the community, now, therefore, be it

Resolved, That the Court of Common Council hereby authorizes the City of Hartford to accept \$569,715 from the U.S. Department of Justice through the Fiscal Year 2011 Second Chance Act Adult Offender Reentry Program for Planning and Demonstration Projects: Implementation, for the period October 1, 2011 through September 30, 2012, 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 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

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This is to certify that at a meeting of the Court of Common Council, November 28, 2011, the following RESOLUTION was passed.

Whereas, On January 12, 2009, the Court of Common Council authorized the Mayor to execute a Grant Contract with the Connecticut Department of Environmental Protection (now the Department of Energy and Environmental Protection (DEEP), for reimbursement of up to \$5,000,000 for the Local Flood Control and Erosion Control Project (Hartford Flood Control System Improvements), and

Whereas, The term of the contract expires on December 31, 2011 and DEEP has notified the City that the term may be extended through December 31, 2012 to allow the City to continue expending the remaining grant funds, now, therefore, be it

Resolved, That Pedro E. Segarra, Mayor of the City of Hartford, is hereby authorized to execute a contract extension for the Local Flood Control and Erosion Control Project (Hartford Flood Control System Improvements) with the Connecticut Department of Energy and Environmental Protection for reimbursement of up to \$5,000,000 in grant funds, 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

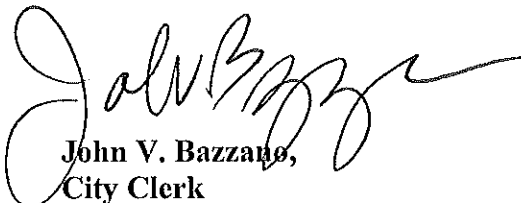
Resolved, That no person or entity shall be entitled to rely on, or otherwise claim any benefit by reason of this resolution should the Mayor fail to execute the aforementioned agreement or other documents, or to take any of the aforesaid actions, and be it further

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, and be it further

Resolved, That the Hartford Town and City Clerk, John V. Bazzano, is hereby authorized to impress the seal of the City of Hartford upon any official documents related to the above, and be it further

Resolved, That the Mayor is hereby authorized to sign a certification indicating that the Court of Common Council hereby affirms its policy to support the Non-Discrimination Agreements and Warranties required under Connecticut General Statute § 4a-60(a)(1) and § 4a-60a(a)(1), as amended in State of Connecticut Public Act 07-245 and Sections 9(a)(1) and 10(a)(1) of Public Act 07-142, as those statutes may be amended from time to time.

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This is to certify that at a meeting of the Court of Common Council, November 28, 2011, the following RESOLUTION was passed.

Whereas, The Volunteer Income Tax Assistance (VITA) program helps the neediest of families claim as much of their hard-earned income as possible through tax refunds and credits that ultimately filter back into their communities, boosting local economies throughout the Greater Hartford area, and

Whereas, The Hartford Asset Building Collaborative (HABC) led by Co-opportunity, Inc. has up to 14 free tax preparation centers in Hartford area that operate from mid-January to April 15 with 250 IRS-trained and certified volunteers to help families file their taxes free-of-charge and to determine if they qualify for refunds and credits. Appointments at tax centers can be made by dialing 2-1-1, and

Whereas, Since 2005, HABC, Co-opportunity and its partners have helped more than 30,000 Hartford area tax filers prepare and submit their returns at no cost and have claimed approximately \$54.4 million in total refunds and credits. The savings in tax filing fees to the Hartford area tax filers using a free VITA site was a approximately \$1.1 million last year, and

Whereas, The Earned Income Tax Credit (EITC) and related child care and education credits are the best opportunities available through the Federal Government for low-income working to get ahead and reduce the need for basic income supports, and this year the State of Connecticut is also participating in a state sponsored EITC program, and

Whereas, Tax filers at HABC's free tax centers are encouraged to use their tax refunds and credits to build savings for unforeseen expenses and to participate in no-cost financial education, counseling and asset building service; and to take advantage of the free assistance available to students and their parents needing to complete the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA), and

Whereas, Because of the economic multiplier effect, for every \$1 of EITC funds returned to a working family in the Hartford area, approximately \$1.75 circulates through the local economy. In 2010, the economic impact of the EITC returned to HABC tax filers at free tax centers was \$8.1 million, and

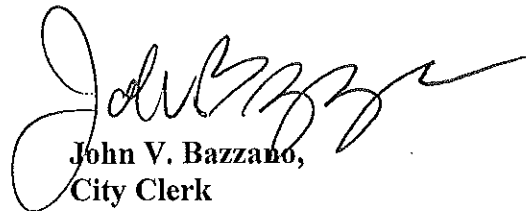
Whereas, The IRS estimates that despite the efforts of Co-opportunity and its HABC partners, 15-20% of EITC Hartford families do not claim the tax credit, and

Whereas, The mission and goals of HABC and Co-opportunity's VITA/EITC Outreach program are ambitious, necessary, and only limited by the resources available to support their services, and therefore, be it

Resolved, That the City of Hartford fully supports the mission, goals and activities of HABC and Co-opportunity's VITA/EITC Outreach program, and be it further

Resolved, That the Court of Common Council work with the Mayor of Hartford to further identify resources to assist the VITA/EITC Outreach program, which might consist of supporting staff costs at some of the 14 Hartford VITA/EITC sites, in-kind supports, and other publicity, communications and outreach to assure all eligible Hartford residents access the full VITA/EITC benefit; including advocating to the public/private philanthropic community to also further support the VITA/EITC Outreach program.

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This is to certify that at a meeting of the Court of Common Council, November 28, 2011, the following RESOLUTION was passed.

Resolved, That Court of Common Council does hereby designate \$2,000 from Fiscal Year-2012 City Contributions toward Public Programs account to the Children Advocacy Center, St. Francis Hospital.

Attest:

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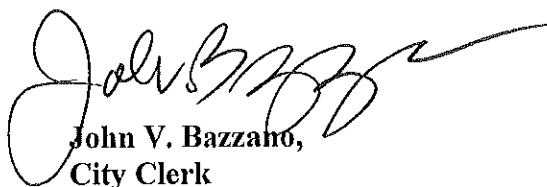
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This is to certify that at a meeting of the Court of Common Council, November 28, 2011, the following RESOLUTION was passed.

Resolved, That Court of Common Council does hereby designate \$500 from Fiscal Year-2012 City Contributions toward Public Programs account to the St. Justin Church for a handicap accessible ramp.

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This is to certify that at a meeting of the Court of Common Council, November 28, 2011, the following RESOLUTION was passed.

Whereas, Hartford 2000 is the coalition of Hartford's thirteen (13) Neighborhood Revitalization Zones and the City of Hartford, and

Whereas, Hartford 2000 is committed to informing and educating Hartford residents about government activities and encouraging civic participation, now, therefore, be it

Resolved, That the Court of Common Council allocates \$7,500 to Hartford 2000, Inc. from the City Contributions Toward Public Programs Fund.

Attest:

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "John V. Bazzano", is written over the printed name and title.

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This is to certify that at a meeting of the Court of Common Council, November 28, 2011, the following RESOLUTION was passed.

Whereas, The Hartford Department of Families, Children, Youth and Recreation wishes to operate an early learning center to be known as the "Department of Families, Children, Youth and Recreation's Asylum Hill Early Learning Center" (the "Early Learning Center") which will be located at 814 Asylum Avenue in Hartford (the "Premises"), and

Whereas, The City of Hartford, as tenant, and the owner of the Premises, Asylum Hill Congregational Church, as landlord, now wish to enter into a lease or other agreement granting the use of the Premises upon the following terms and conditions:

- Initial term is for five (5) years and two (2) months, commencing as of October 1, 2011 and ending on November 30, 2016 with unlimited annual mutual options to renew, and
- In lieu of rent, the City will provide approximately one hundred twenty-two thousand five hundred dollars and no/100 (\$122,500.00) worth of improvements to the Premises (the "Improvements") to bring the Early Learning Center up to certain applicable State standards prior to full operation, and
- The cost of the Improvements shall be paid by child care fees included in the FY 2011-12 budget of the Department of Families, Children, Youth and Recreation.

Now, therefore, be it

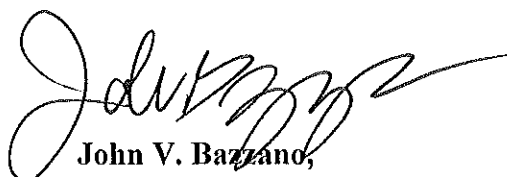
Resolved, That, the Mayor is hereby authorized to enter into and execute a lease or other agreement governing the use of the Premises for the purposes set forth above, upon and subject to the above terms and conditions and such other terms and conditions that the Mayor and the Corporation Counsel may deem appropriate and in the best interests of the City, 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 lease, 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 Mayor executing such lease 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, November 28, 2011, the following RESOLUTION was passed.

Whereas, The City of Hartford is the owner of the property located at 52 Franklin Avenue, and

Whereas, Pope Park Zion, LLC (PPZ) wishes to purchase this blighted property and renovate the building into a four-bedroom, two-bath, single family home for homeownership, now, therefore, be it

Resolved, That the Mayor is authorized to enter into a Purchase and Sale Agreement with Pope Park Zion, LLC (PPZ) for the property at 52 Franklin Avenue, and to complete the sale of the property to PPZ in accordance with the terms of such Purchase and Sale Agreement, and be it further

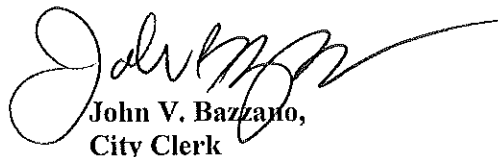
Resolved, That the purchase price for the property shall be \$13,000 plus costs incurred by the City in installing a new roof on the property, and be it further

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 consummate this sale, 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

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Whereas, The City of Hartford previously submitted an application to the Capital Region Council of Governments (CRCOG) for a Grant under the STP-Urban Funding program for geometric and streetscape improvements to the six-way intersection at North Main Street and Albany Avenue, and

Whereas, The North Main/Albany Reconstruction Project will include new granite curb, concrete sidewalk with brick paver accents, ornamental luminaires, pavement, and signal improvements, and

Whereas, Although the project was not funded when originally submitted, CRCOG is now considering the application under the current round of funding, and

Whereas, STP Urban Funding consists of 80% Federal monies and 10% State dollars and requires a 10% match by the City, and

Whereas, State and Federal funding will be administered through the State of Connecticut Department of Transportation, and

Whereas, The City has been advised by CRCOG that the total amount of the grant is potentially \$3,500,000, and

Whereas, If the grant is awarded, the City must commit to provide the necessary supplemental funding, and

Whereas, Sufficient funds exist in currently authorized streetscape bond authorization to cover the 10% match and any additional expenses if project costs exceed the amount of the grant, and

Whereas, The City must commit to provide additional funding if the application is accepted and approved and the \$3,500,000 grant is awarded, therefore, be it

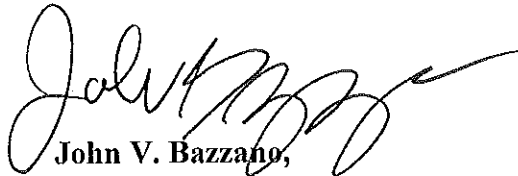
Resolved, That the City of Hartford hereby agrees that if the grant is awarded, the 10% match and the balance of the project costs will be funded by the City of Hartford for the Main Street/Albany Avenue Reconstruction Project, and be it further

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

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Whereas, The four individuals listed below were employed by the City of Hartford, and

Whereas, The named individuals were absent from employment for one or more periods exceeding ninety (90) consecutive days and were re-employed by the City of Hartford subsequent to their absences and continuing to the present, and

Whereas, Article I, Division I, Section 2A-9 of the Municipal Code of the City of Hartford provides that periods of absence of more than ninety days by reason of a leave of absence granted by Council shall not be considered as breaking continuity of service, but such period shall not be included in determining the amount of retirement allowance, and

Whereas, The following individuals have requested that their absences be reclassified as approved leaves of absence:

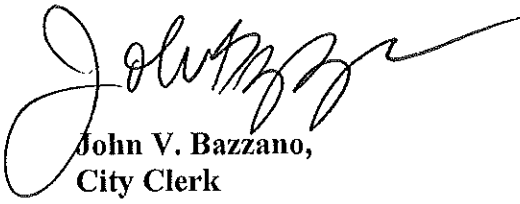
Employee Name	Union Affiliation	Original Hire Date	Date Absence Began	Date Absence Ended	Approximate Annual Cost
Chandler, DL	HMEA	3.16.08	4.24.10	5.7.11	\$ 731
Segarra, Pedro	Non-Union	7.1.92	3.1.95	5.21.06	10,773
Carrasco, Jose	HMEA	7.22.91	10.30.02	8.21.05	13,696
Bennett, Kimberly	HESP	8.27.07	6.30.08	8.24.11	225

now, therefore, be it

Resolved, That the periods of absence of the named individuals above shall be considered approved leaves of absence, in accordance with Article I, Division I, Section 2A-9 of

the Municipal Code of the City of Hartford, by the Court of Common Council, at an actuarial cost to the City as shown above.

Attest:



**John V. Bazzano,
City Clerk**