

Court of Common Council

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This is to certify that at a recessed meeting of the Court of Common Council, February 8, 2010, the following RESOLUTION was passed.

WHEREAS, The United States Marshals Service wishes to donate two 2010 Motor Vehicles valued at \$25,000 each to the Intelligence Division of the Hartford Police Department; and

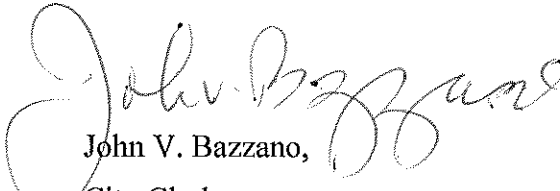
WHEREAS, The Police Chief has affirmed that this donation is both appropriate and appreciated to supplement the current fleet of vehicles used by members of the Intelligence Division while carrying out their official duties; and

WHEREAS, There is no cost to the City of Hartford to take possession of these vehicles; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That the Court of Common Council hereby grants approval to the Mayor and the City of Hartford to accept this donation; and be it further

RESOLVED, The City of Hartford extends its thanks and gratitude to the United States Marshals Service for their generosity.

Attest:


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This is to certify that at a recessed meeting of the Court of Common Council, February 8, 2010, the following RESOLUTION was passed.

WHEREAS, On October 15, 2002, the Court of Common Council approved a Tax Assessment Fixing Agreement ("Agreement") with 18 Temple Street LLC ("Developer") to facilitate the redevelopment of the former Sage Allen Property ("Property"); and

WHEREAS, Said Agreement was executed by the City of Hartford ("City") and the Developer on June 30, 2004; and

WHEREAS, Said Agreement fixed the assessment on the parking garage for seven years following construction and fixed the assessment on the residential and retail space for 15 years following construction; and

WHEREAS, Said Agreement included a provision requiring the Developer to pay the City forty percent (40%) of annual gross revenues in excess of \$4.8 million; and

WHEREAS, This provision for an extra payment was based on revenue projections made in 2002; and

WHEREAS, Based on 2009 estimates utilizing actual operating experience, the property taxes on the Property are projected to significantly exceed the original projection that included the extra payments; and

WHEREAS, The Developer has demonstrated that the provision for an extra payment is onerous due to increased project costs incurred after 2002 and increased operational costs following the project's completion and limits the ability to refinance the project or attract addition investment; and

WHEREAS, The Developer is seeking an amendment to the Agreement as a means of eliminating the requirement of an extra payment if gross revenue exceeds \$4.8 million; now, therefore be it

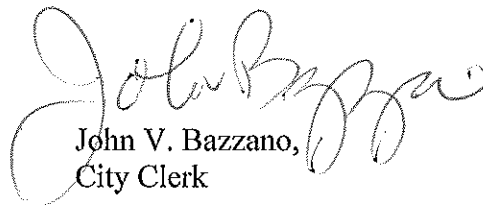
RESOLVED, That the Mayor is hereby authorized to execute an amendment, or modification, to the Tax Assessment Fixing Agreement with 18 Temple Street LLC for the purposes set forth above, upon and such other terms and conditions that the Mayor and the Corporation Counsel may deem appropriate and in the 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 amendment or modification to the tax assessment fixing 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 Mayor executing such amendment or modification to the tax assessment fixing agreement 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, On August 2, 1994, the Court of Common Council adopted an ordinance entitled "AN ORDINANCE DISCONTINUING SEYMOUR STREET BETWEEN RETREAT AVENUE AND JEFFERSON STREET" (the "1994 Ordinance"); and

WHEREAS, The 1994 Ordinance discontinued the portion of Seymour Street from the northerly street line of Retreat Avenue to the southerly street line of Jefferson Street, approximately 1152 feet as measured along the center line of Seymour Street, together with the westerly and easterly street lines established January 13, 1862 and August 28, 1950 respectively and the building and veranda lines established June 28, 1993 (the "Discontinued Portion of Seymour Street"); and

WHEREAS, The 1994 Ordinance retained to the City of Hartford the right to reopen the Discontinued Portion of Seymour Street as a public thoroughfare, in which case the right of way would revert to the City of Hartford, and Hartford Hospital or its assigns would bear all necessary expenses associated with such reopening (the "City's Reversionary Interest"); and

WHEREAS, The 1994 Ordinance retained, at all times, access for public utilities and emergency vehicles through the Discontinued Portion of Seymour Street (the "Emergency and Public Utilities Interests"); and

WHEREAS, Hartford Hospital, or entities owned and/or controlled by Hartford Hospital, (collectively, the "Hospital Entities") own the fee title to all of the land abutting the Discontinued Portion of Seymour Street; and

WHEREAS, It is not clear from documents recorded on the Land Records of the City of Hartford whether the fee title owner of the Discontinued Portion of Seymour Street is the City of Hartford or the Hospital Entities; and

WHEREAS, Hartford Hospital desires that it own the fee title to the Discontinued Portion of Seymour Street, as it is no longer a public street, all of the abutting property is owned by Hospital Entities, Hartford Hospital maintains it, and it runs through the center of the Hartford Hospital campus; and

WHEREAS, The City of Hartford Director of Public Works concurs that, except for the Emergency and Public Utilities Interests, it is not necessary or desirable that the City of Hartford have an ownership interest in the Discontinued Portion of Seymour Street; and

WHEREAS, The Hospital Entities are not tax delinquent; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That the quitclaim, release and transfer of all of the City of Hartford's right, title and interest, except for the Emergency and Public Utilities Interests, in the Discontinued Portion of Seymour Street, if any, to one or more of the Hospital Entities, for no monetary consideration, is hereby approved; and be it further

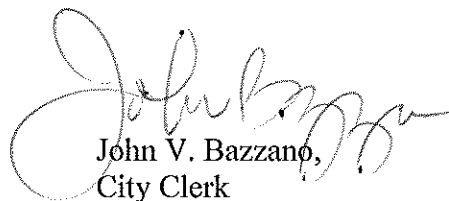
RESOLVED, That the Mayor is hereby authorized to execute a quit-claim deed (the "Quit-Claim Deed") for the Discontinued Portion of Seymour Street (but reserving to the City of Hartford the Emergency and Public Utilities Interests) and to enter into such other documents, and to take any other actions as are reasonably necessary to effectuate such quitclaim of the Discontinued Portion of Seymour Street to the Hospital Entities, whenever appropriate; and be it further

RESOLVED, That all of the aforesaid documents shall be subject to approval as to form and legality by the Corporation Counsel prior to their execution by the Mayor; and be it further

RESOLVED, That in the event the Quit-Claim Deed has not been executed within 60 days following the date of the passage of this resolution, this resolution may be deemed to have been rescinded; provided, however, that the Mayor may extend the deadline if he determines that sufficient progress has been made to warrant such extension; and be it further

RESOLVED, That no person or entity shall be entitled to rely on, or claim any benefit by reason of, this resolution in the event the City of Hartford fails to quitclaim the Discontinued Portion of Seymour Street to the Hospital Entities as provided herein, it being the intent of the Court of Common Council that this transaction may proceed only if the documentation thereof shall have been reviewed and approved by the Corporation Counsel.

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This is to certify that at a meeting of the Court of Common Council, February 8, 2010 the following RESOLUTION was passed as amended.

WHEREAS, In 2005, the General Assembly in the state of Connecticut created the Citizens' Election Program - a system that limited the influence of special interests and lobbyists and instituted a system of public financing of elections for legislature and statewide office; and

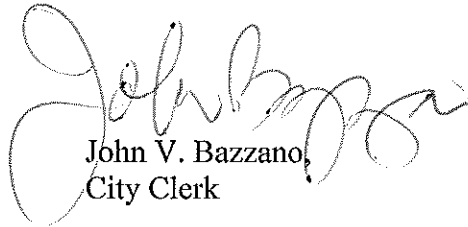
WHEREAS, The law showed positive initial results: 73 percent of all candidates in 2008 ran under the Citizens' Election Program. 78 percent of those elected to serve in the 2009-2010 General Assembly are Citizens' Elections officials. 97 percent of all contributions in the 2008 election came from individuals and 102 women ran for seats in the General Assembly, the largest number of female candidates in a decade; and

WHEREAS, A recent court ruling enjoined the program declaring portions unconstitutional ahead of this year's gubernatorial election and the program is in need of amendment by the General Assembly; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That the Hartford Court of Common Council hereby affirms and states its support for the goals and accomplishments of Connecticut's campaign finance reform laws, and calls on Senate President Pro Tempore, Speaker of the House, Governor and other elected officials to act now to keep this law on the books with constitutional limitations; and, be it further

RESOLVED, That the Court of Common Council requests that the Town/City Clerk transmits copies of this certified resolution to the Hartford delegation to the Connecticut General Assembly, the Speaker of the House and the President Pro Tempore of the Senate.

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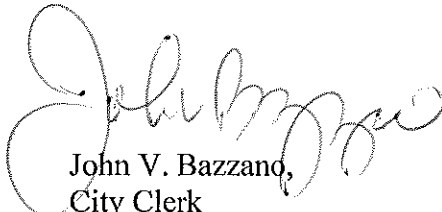
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RESOLVED, That notwithstanding the resolution passed on July 13, 2009 related to the Civic & Cultural Account shall be amended to reflect the following:

- The \$3,000 allocated to ACORN shall be removed from the list.

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This is to certify that at a recessed meeting of the Court of Common Council, February 8, 2010, the following RESOLUTION was passed as amended.

WHEREAS, Organized in 1974, USA Basketball is a nonprofit organization and the national governing body for men's and women's basketball in the United States; and

WHEREAS, In April 2009 Geno Auriemma, who was the assistant coach to the gold medalist 2000 U.S. Olympic team and who has led the UConn Women's Basketball team to six NCAA championships, was selected to serve as the head coach for the USA Basketball Women's National Team from 2009 to 2012; and

WHEREAS, The USA Basketball Women's National Team will compete in training camps and exhibition games in the United States; and

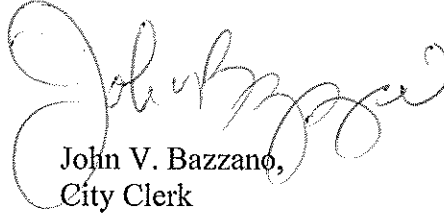
WHEREAS, Coach Auriemma has communicated his desire to have exhibition games held in Hartford; and

WHEREAS, Such a sports event has the potential of drawing millions in revenue to the City; therefore be it

RESOLVED, That the Court of Common Council hereby requests that the Mayor, the Department of Development Services and the Greater Hartford Convention and Visitors Bureau work

with USA Basketball on preliminary planning to bring USA Basketball exhibition games and other events to Hartford.

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