

Court of Common Council

CITY OF HARTFORD
550 MAIN STREET
HARTFORD, CONNECTICUT 06103



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April 12, 2010

This is to certify that at a meeting of the Court of Common Council, April 12, 2010, the following RESOLUTION was passed.

WHEREAS, The Martin Luther King, Jr. Elementary School, formerly Weaver High School, was designed in 1922 by Frank Irving Cooper with Philip A. Mason as one of only two architecturally distinguished Collegiate Gothic high schools in Hartford; and

WHEREAS, The façade is extensively embellished with intricate Gothic details, especially the entrance of cast stone depicting 13 images from Aesop's Fables by Anthony Zottoli of Boston; and

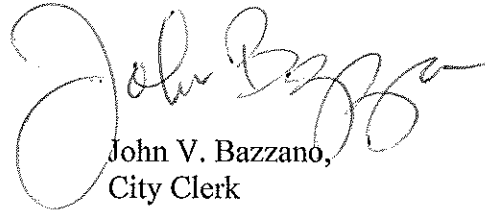
WHEREAS, The building was originally named for Thomas Snell Weaver, longtime superintendent of Hartford Public Schools, and is now named in honor of Martin Luther King, Jr.; and

WHEREAS, The State Register of Historic Places includes districts, sites, buildings, structures, and objects of national, state or local significance where these resources possess integrity of location, design, setting, materials, workmanship, feeling and association; and

WHEREAS, The State Register of Historic Places also includes locations that are associated with events that have made a significant contribution to our history and the lives of persons significant in our past, or embody the distinctive characteristics of a type, period or method of construction, represent the work of a master, or possess high artistic values; therefore be it

RESOLVED, That the Court of Common Council hereby requests that the Hartford Preservation Alliance consider the inclusion of the Martin Luther King Jr. School on the State Register of Historic Places.

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WHEREAS, The Connecticut Children's Medical Center is sponsoring the "15th Annual Miracle Ride" on April 25, 2010 from 10:00am to 2:00pm; and

WHEREAS, The event sponsors are requesting rolling street closures long their route through Hartford; the ride will be Hartford from approximately 11:45am to 11:55am; and

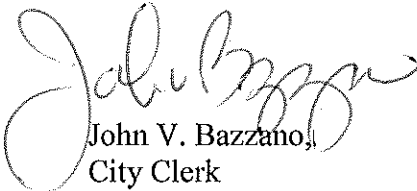
WHEREAS, The motorcycles will enter Hartford from Newington on Maple Avenue, pass the Connecticut Children's Medical Center and the State Capitol, and exit into Bloomfield via State Route 189; and

WHEREAS, The sponsor of this event is requesting a 50% fee waiver for city costs associated with this event; and

WHEREAS, On January 28, 2002, the Court of Common Council passed a resolution that provides in part that special event fee waivers, if granted, shall not exceed an amount equal to one-half of the city's costs and fees associated with an event; and

RESOLVED, That the Court of Common Council's waiver, if any, of fees will be consistent with the recommendation of the Public Works, Parks, and Environment Committee.

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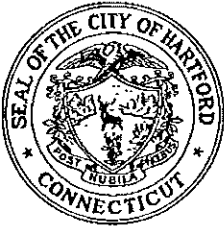


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This is to certify that at a meeting of the Court of Common Council, April 12, 2010, the following SUBSTITUTE RESOLUTION was passed.

WHEREAS, The City of Hartford has a unique legacy of parks, including the 693-acre Keney Park, which was built in 1896 and is the largest municipal open space in New England; and

WHEREAS, Keney Park serves a variety of recreation purposes, including as host to athletic competitions such as cricket; and

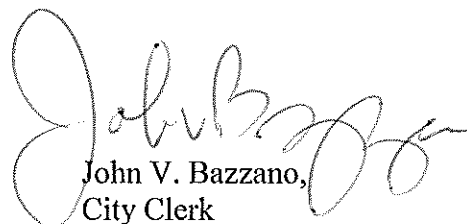
WHEREAS, Cricket tournaments at Keney Park are a major cultural and athletic attraction for the City of Hartford and Greater Hartford region; and

WHEREAS, The cricket fields at Keney Park need to be made playable in time for the 2010 cricket season; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, The by June 1, 2010 the City of Hartford Department of Public Works, at the instruction of the Mayor shall install new drainage pipes on the cricket fields to avoid flooding; and, be it further

RESOLVED, That by June 1, 2010 the City of Hartford Department of Public Works, at the instruction and discretion of the Mayor shall fill in damaged areas on the cricket fields at Keney Park, re-sod the cricket fields at Keney Park and then roll said fields.

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This is to certify that at a meeting of the Court of Common Council, April 12, 2010, the following RESOLUTION was passed.

WHEREAS, The trees of Hartford's Park System form the backbone of the City's urban forest; and

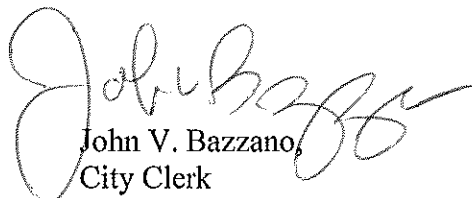
WHEREAS, Many of our residents are passionate about the preservation of these trees and are concerned about their health and maintenance; and

WHEREAS, The forestry responsibilities for the City of Hartford are presently handled by the Parks Division of Public Works, with skill and talent; and

WHEREAS, In recent weeks, many have called the Court of Common Council and other City agencies with concerns about forestry activities in the City parks; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That the Court of Common Council requests that, in non-emergency situations, the Parks Division of Public Works notifies the Public Works, Parks and Environment Committee of the Court of Common Council and the Parks and Recreation Advisory Commission at least thirty (30) days before the removal of trees from City of Hartford property so that these entities can better respond to residents' questions about forestry activities on public land in the City.

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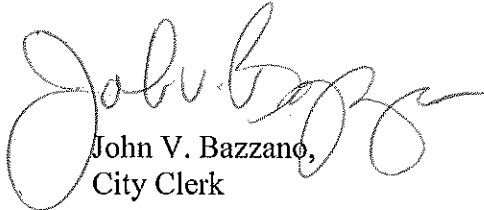
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This is to certify that at a meeting of the Court of Common Council, April 12, 2010, the following RESOLUTION was passed.

RESOLVED, That the following individual is hereby appointed to the Parks and Recreation Advisory Commission beginning on March 22, 2010 and ending on March 11, 2013:

- Craig Mergins (R) of 114 Adelaide Street, Hartford, CT 06114 replacing Joel Johnson (U) of 9 Gillett Street, Apt. 3B, Hartford, CT 06105

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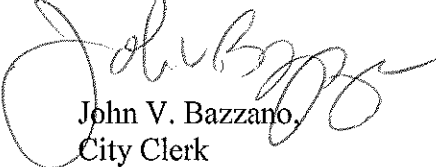
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This is to certify that at a meeting of the Court of Common Council, April 12, 2010, the following RESOLUTION was passed.

RESOLVED, That the following individual is hereby re-appointed to Zoning Board of Appeals beginning on March 22, 2010 and ending on February 11, 2015:

- Stephen B. Dauphine (D) of 100 Wells Street,
Hartford, CT 06103

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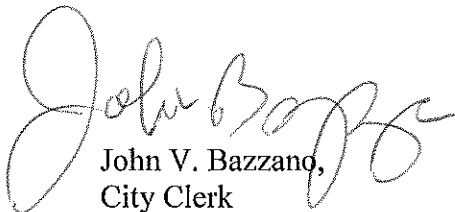
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RESOLVED, That the following individual is hereby re-appointed to the Commission on Alcohol and Drug Abuse beginning on March 22, 2010 and ending on August 26, 2012:

- William Young (D) of 245 Kenyon Street,
 Hartford, CT 06105

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This is to certify that at a meeting of the Court of Common Council, April 12, 2010, the following RESOLUTION was passed.

WHEREAS, The Court of Common Council, at its December 8, 2008 meeting, approved an ordinance amending Chapter 2, Article V of the Municipal Code of the City of Hartford; and

WHEREAS, That ordinance, pursuant to the authority granted in Public Act 136, Section 7, of the 2000 Session of the Connecticut General Assembly, allows for the creation of the Hartford Freedom of Information Advisory Board; and

WHEREAS, The ordinance requires that within thirty days after the adoption of this ordinance, in accordance with procedures adopted by the Court of Common Council, the initial three members of the Freedom of Information Advisory Board shall be appointed; and

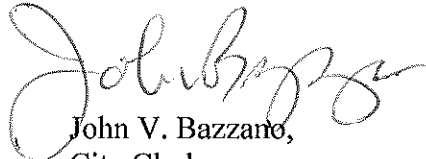
WHEREAS, The Freedom of Information Advisory Board currently has only two members, and a chair has not yet been designated; therefore be it

RESOLVED, That the Court of Common Council requests that the Mayor appoint a third person to the Freedom of Information Advisory Board; and be it further

RESOLVED, That the Court of Common Council shall call the first meeting of the Freedom of Information Advisory Board no later than 30 days after the appointment of the remaining member; and be it further

RESOLVED, That the Freedom of Information Advisory Board shall designate it chair at that first meeting.

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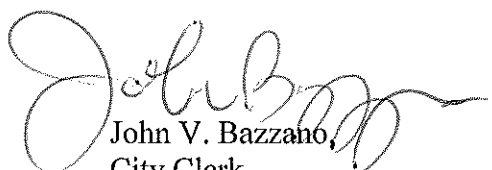
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WHEREAS, On July 13, 2009, the Court of Common Council voted to make allocation to certain community-based organizations and initiatives that provide critical community services, advocacy, and benefits to Hartford residents, businesses and institutions; and

WHEREAS, That notwithstanding the resolution passed by the Court of Common Council on July 13, 2009, related to the City of Hartford's Civic and Cultural Affairs Account shall be amended as follows: that the \$1,500.00 (fifteen hundred dollars) allocated to the Juan Castillo Latin-American Basketball League shall be allocated instead to the Department of Health & Human Services- Recreation Department; and be it further

RESOLVED, That as with the other agencies allocated funding via the resolution adopted at the July 13, 2009 meeting; The Department of Health & Human Services- Recreation Department shall follow the procedures to be determined by the Operations, Management and Budget Committee for applying for said grant.

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This is to certify that at a meeting of the Court of Common Council, April 12, 2010, the following RESOLUTION was passed as amended.

WHEREAS, The Court of Common Council acknowledges that pursuant to Chapter VIII, Section 3(b)(2) of the Charter, the Mayor has the right to authorize the Corporation Counsel's office to appeal from orders, decisions or judgments entered against the City; and

WHEREAS, the Court of Common Council, mindful of the budget deficit faced by the City for the 2009-10 fiscal year, is eager to eliminate unnecessary expenditures for all City departments; and

WHEREAS, the City of Hartford has spent over \$200,000 on Freedom of Information cases and on legal appeals from final decisions of the Freedom of Information Commission in the past 18 months and; and

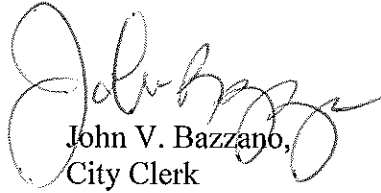
WHEREAS, not one of these final decisions of the Freedom of Information Commission has been overturned by a Connecticut Court; and

WHEREAS, the Court of Common Council, as the budget-making authority for the City of Hartford, must weigh in on the large amount of money being used to contest these decisions, now therefore be it

RESOLVED, That the Court of Common Council strongly advises and urges the Mayor to no longer authorize appeals of Freedom of Information Commission decisions unless the Court of Common Council approves of such an appeal; and further be it

RESOLVED, that any fines or other sanctions imposed by the Freedom of Information Commission shall be reviewed by the Court of Common Council for authorization of payment by the City of Hartford. If payment is not authorized and the fine levied up an individual employee, who has clearly violated the FOI, shall be responsible for payment of the fine if not in violation of employee's collective bargaining agreement.

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