

**SENSE OF THE BOARD RESOLUTION
ACKNOWLEDGING STAMFORD'S AWARD
OF THE 2008 DEMOCRACY CUP**

WHEREAS, Secretary of State Susan Bysiewicz declared the 2008 national, state and local election “the most exciting in a generation;” and

WHEREAS, the East Haddam Civic Association has co-sponsored the Democracy Cup with the Secretary of State’s Office since 2000 as a way to encourage voter participation in each year’s elections; and

WHEREAS, the award is given annually to the small, medium, large town and city with the highest voter turnout on Election Day; and

WHEREAS, Susan Bysiewicz announced that Stamford “topped all Connecticut cities” with a voter turnout of 81.65%; and the Scott Mackinnon, co-founder of the Democracy cup and East Haddam Civic Association member stated, “All Connecticut communities should be proud of their voter participation this year, but none more so than our big cities; especially Stamford ... Stamford’s 81.65% is amazing for a city with so many active registered voters ... this is a trend worth celebrating;” and

WHEREAS, this achievement would not have been possible without the hard work and commitment of many of Stamford citizens, elected officials, volunteers and employees; and

WHEREAS, the Registrars of Voters, Alice Fortunato and Lucy Corelli, along with the City & Town Clerk, Donna Loglisci, and their staffs are particularly thanked for their efforts all year toward this achievement.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the 27th Board of Representatives that it commends all Stamford citizens, volunteers, elected officials and city personnel for this prestigious recognition by the Secretary of State.

*Submitted by Annie M. Summerville (D-6)
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