

SENSE-OF-THE-BOARD RESOLUTION
CONGRATULATING THE UBC GOSPEL CHOIR
ON ITS 35TH ANNIVERSARY

WHEREAS, On or about May 1973, Kristine Faulk Miles brought approximately 10 vocalists to 15 Fifth Street for an audition before The Reverend Dr. Robert W. Perry, the newly installed pastor at Union Baptist Church; and

WHEREAS, on June 4, 1973, twenty-three vocalists and one musician, Marie King Thompson, met with Deacons Russell Britt and Harold Clay to organize what would later become known as the UBC Gospel Choir; and

WHEREAS, on November 4, 1973, the UBC Gospel Choir held its first concert, marking the beginning of a thirty-five year journey of singing praises to God; and

WHEREAS, the Choir has maintained the tradition of an Anniversary Concert from the first year, and the Choir's membership has almost doubled in size from the founding twenty-three members, at its peak consisting of 75 members; and

WHEREAS, the Choir has been led by several talented musical directors, including Douglas Banks, Ruby Lowman, Robert Wilson, Dan Williams and is currently under the direction of Colon Haywood, Jr.; and

WHEREAS, over its 35 years, the Choir has enjoyed many accomplishments; people travel from throughout the tri-state area to hear the Choir.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY the 27th Board of Representatives of the City of Stamford that it congratulates the UBC Gospel Choir on its Thirty-Fifth Anniversary and wishes it continued success in its future.

Submitted by: The 27th Board of Representatives of the City of Stamford
Approved by the 27th Board of Representatives this 10th day of November, 2008

David R. Martin, President
27th Board of Representatives

Annie M. Summerville, Clerk
27th Board of Representatives