

**SENSE OF THE BOARD RESOLUTION CONGRATULATING  
FRANCIS B. DEMASI ON BEING NAMED THE GRAND MARSHAL  
OF THE 2009 MEMORIAL DAY PARADE**

**WHEREAS**, Francis B. DeMasi was named Grand Marshal by the Stamford 2009 Memorial Day Parade's organizer, the Stamford Patriotic & Special Events Commission, because of his service to country and community; and

**WHEREAS**, Francis B. DeMasi is a lifelong Stamford resident and a 1949 Stamford High School graduate who joined the Connecticut National Guard while a senior at Stamford High; and

**WHEREAS**, Francis B. DeMasi spent two years on active duty and two years in the active National Guard, served in occupied Germany, and served an additional four years with the Connecticut National Guard upon separation from active duty; and

**WHEREAS**, Francis B. DeMasi is currently the Chaplain and a member of the 192<sup>nd</sup> Field Artillery Battalion and the 43<sup>rd</sup> Division Association; and

**WHEREAS**, Francis B. DeMasi was a Junior Vice Commander and is a current member of VFW Post 9617 in Springdale, and has held leadership roles in many capacities in addition to his service assisting disabled veterans so they can participate in events, distributing poppies during the annual veterans' fund drive, laying flags at veterans' grave sites, and participating in all veterans' parades and events including the annual Pearl Harbor Ceremony; and

**WHEREAS**, Francis B. DeMasi has always served the broader Stamford community: he is a former member of the K.T. Murphy PTO, Cubmaster of Pack 6 KT Murphy School, Little League Coach, Vice President of the Federal Little League Baseball Team and President of the North Stamford AARP Chapter; he is currently a member of the St. Mary Holy Name Society and has been a member of the Boy Scouts of America for fifty-nine years.

**NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED** by the 27<sup>th</sup> Board of Representatives that it congratulates Francis B. DeMasi on being named the Grand Marshal of the 2009 Stamford Memorial Day Parade.

*Submitted by the 27<sup>th</sup> Board of Representatives  
Approved this 1<sup>st</sup> day of June, 2009*

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David R. Martin, President  
27<sup>th</sup> Board of Representatives

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Annie M. Summerville, Clerk  
27<sup>th</sup> Board of Representatives