

**SENSE OF THE BOARD RESOLUTION
COMMENDING THE STAMFORD NAACP
ON THE OCCASION OF ITS 2009 FREEDOM FUND DINNER**

Whereas, the NAACP is the nation's oldest, largest and most widely recognized grassroots-based civil rights organization, with over a half-million members and supporters throughout the world; and

Whereas, the NAACP was founded on February 12, 1909, and is celebrating its 100 Year Anniversary in 2009; and

Whereas, on October 9, 2009, the Stamford NAACP Chapter will hold its annual Freedom Fund Dinner; and

Whereas, the Stamford NAACP Chapter uses funds raised to support activities that include advocacy for affordable housing, quality education, civil rights, improved community relationships and youth development; and

Whereas, the Stamford NAACP, at its 2009 Freedom Fund Dinner will bestow honors by presenting the Dr. Samuel L. White Religious Award to Bishop Michael Densmore; the Dr. Joyce Yerwood Community Service Award to Keith Simmons; the Eleanor Parks Davis Civil Rights Award to The Rev. Johnny C. Bush; the Nellie Spears Education Award to Sandra Pryor; the Geri Anderson Youth Award to Jalen Holmes and the Darwin Davis Corporate Award to CL&P (Connecticut Light & Power); and

Whereas, the 2009 Freedom Fund Dinner is a continuation of the Stamford NAACP Chapter's annual tradition of holding a Freedom Fund Dinner, which began in the early 1950's, and is overseen by the Freedom Fund Committee, a standing committee of the Association.

Now, therefore be it resolved by the 27th Board of Representatives that it congratulates the Stamford NAACP Chapter on the occasion of its 2009 Freedom Fund Dinner; and

Be it further resolved by the 27th Board of Representatives that it commends the Stamford NAACP for its decades of service to the citizens of Stamford.

Approved this 5th day of October, 2009

David R. Martin, President
27th Board of Representatives

Annie M. Summerville, Clerk
27th Board of Representative