

**SENSE OF THE BOARD RESOLUTION
CONGRATULATING CHRISTOPHER SHAYS
ON BEING NAMED THE GRAND MARSHAL
OF THE 2009 VETERANS DAY PARADE**

WHEREAS, Christopher Shays was named Grand Marshal of the 2009 Stamford Veterans Day Parade by the City of Stamford Patriotic and Special Events Commission because of his service to country and community; and

WHEREAS, Christopher Shays has dedicated his entire life to public service, having served two years in the Peace Corps, 13 years in the State House of Representatives, and 21 years in the United States House of Representatives; and

WHEREAS, as a member of the U.S. House of Representatives, Christopher Shays served as chair of the Subcommittee on National Security, playing a leading role in oversight of our nation's military and security operations and the fight against terrorism; including visiting Iraq 21 times to review our military efforts there; and

WHEREAS, while in the U.S House of Representatives, Christopher Shays was instrumental in the creation of the Department of Homeland Security, served on the Committee on Homeland Security; he was also a pioneer in the area of ethics and Congressional reform and an advocate of environmental regulation and protection;

WHEREAS, Christopher Shays has been a supporter of Stamford's veterans for many years and has been invaluable in his assistance to Stamford's local veterans organizations; and

WHEREAS, throughout his career, Christopher Shays has continuously worked for the benefit of all Stamford's residents.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the 27th Board of Representatives that it congratulates Christopher Shays on being named the Grand Marshal of the 2009 Stamford Veterans Day Parade.

*Submitted by President David Martin and the 27th Board of Representatives
Approved this 9th day of November, 2009*

David R. Martin, President
27th Board of Representatives

Annie M. Summerville, Clerk
27th Board of Representatives