

**SENSE-OF-THE-BOARD RESOLUTION
CONGRATULATING THE UNION BAPTIST CHURCH ON ITS
TRIPLE CELEBRATION OF
THE REVEREND DR. PERRY'S 45TH PASTORAL ANNIVERSARY, THE CHURCH'S
130TH ANNIVERSARY AND THE BURNING OF THE CHURCH'S 20 YEAR MORTGAGE**

WHEREAS, on Friday, October 19, 2018, the Union Baptist Church will hold a gala celebration of the Reverend Dr. Perry's 45th Pastoral Anniversary, the Church's 130th Anniversary and the Burning of the Church's 20 Year Mortgage; and

WHEREAS, Union Baptist Church was founded in 1888 by a group of former slaves; and

WHEREAS, the Reverend Dr. Robert Perry was installed at Union Baptist Church in 1973, where he has served as Pastor for the last forty-five years; and

WHEREAS, in January of 1923, under the Reverend Baxter L. Matthews, Union Baptist Church was located to its current site and in 1998 embarked on a building project to accommodate its growing membership; and

WHEREAS, under the leadership of the Reverend Dr. Robert W. Perry, Pastor for the past forty-five years, Union Baptist Church has been an important part of the City of Stamford, contributing to the well-being of all of its citizens; and

WHEREAS, the Reverend Dr. Perry has served as past president of several organizations, including the Stamford Council of Churches and Synagogues and the Connecticut State Missionary Baptist Convention; has been a valuable member of the Stamford community, serving as a member of the Board of Ethics, a Fire Commissioner, a Police Chaplain, and a Police Commissioner; and has been the recipient of numerous awards including the Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Leadership Award and the Community Heroes Award.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY the 30th Board of Representatives of the City of Stamford that The Rev. Dr. Robert Perry be recognized and congratulated on his service to his congregation and to the citizens of the City of Stamford.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT the 30th Board of Representatives extends its best wishes and congratulations to Union Baptist Church on the occasion of this triple celebration.

*Approved by the 30th Board of Representatives
This 1st day of October, 2018*

Matthew Quinones, President

Susan Nabel, Clerk