

RESOLUTION OF THE NEW HAVEN BOARD OF ALDERS EXPRESSING
CONDOLENCES ON THE PASSING OF THE 41ST PRESIDENT OF THE UNITED STATES
AND FORMER NEW HAVEN RESIDENT THE HONORABLE GEORGE H.W. BUSH AND
EXPRESSING GRATITUDE FOR HIS POSITIVE CONTRIBUTIONS TO OUR NATION
AND THE WORLD.

WHEREAS: George Herbert Walker Bush, the 41st President of the United States of America passed away peacefully on December 1, 2018 in Houston, Texas; and

WHEREAS: President Bush served honorably in World War II as the youngest pilot in the United States Navy where he flew 58 missions off the carrier USS San Jacinto.; and

WHEREAS: subsequent to his service he attended Yale University where he held the position of Captain on the Yale baseball which the College World Series twice and where he graduated Phi Beta Kappa; and

WHEREAS: President Bush is a started his married life and his family as a resident of New Haven on Hillhouse Avenue; and

WHEREAS: no stranger to hard work President Bush began his post collegiate life in Texas as an equipment clerk for the International Derrick and Equipment Company where he did everything from painting oil pumps and selling oilfield equipment before becoming co-owner of the Zapata Petroleum Corporation; and

WHEREAS: in his professional life he was a believer in government service and served America in a multitude of high level positions including: Member of Congress, Ambassador the United Nations, Envoy to China, Director of the Central Intelligence Agency, Vice President of the United States and President of the United States; and

WHEREAS: as President of the United States he pledged to make the United States a kinder, gentler nation and called on Americans to volunteer their time for good causes to create "a thousand points of light."; and

WHEREAS: as President he signed the landmark Americans with Disabilities Act to ban workplace discrimination against people with disabilities and require improved access to public places and transportation; and

WHEREAS: years after leaving office, in collaboration with former President Clinton, he worked to raise money for relief for those impacted by the Southeast Asian tsunami in 2004; and

WHEREAS: it is proper and fitting to recognize this former New Havener for his outstanding life of selfless service:

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED BY THE NEW HAVEN BOARD OF ALDERS that, on behalf of the entire City of New Haven, condolences are sent to the Bush family on the passing of the 41st President of The United States, a former New Haven resident, and truly remarkable man, The Honorable George Herbert Walker Bush with our gratitude for his positive contributions to our nation and the world.