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Honorable Tyisha Walker Myers President - Board of Alders City of New Haven 165 Church Street New Haven, CT 06510

RE: <u>RESOLUTION OF THE NEW HAVEN BOARD OF ALDERS AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO</u> ACCEPT FUNDING FROM THE CONNECTICUT DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION FOR SAFETY IMPROVEMENTS AROUND THE NEW HAVEN GREEN

Dear Honorable Tyisha Walker Myers:

The State of Connecticut Department of Transportation has offered a \$4,000,000 grant to the City of New Haven for the New Haven Green Area Roadways Safety Improvements Project on behalf of the United States Department of Transportation as part of the Congressionally Directed Spending program.

The main activities of this project will include installing raised crossings and intersections at the eight main entry points to the New Haven Green along Church St, College St, Chapel St, and Elm St. In addition, Temple St between Elm St and Chapel St will be restored to a more historic cross section while still allowing through traffic and Sunday parking for the Churches. The material of the roadway will be distinct and in-character for the Green to denote its distinction from other roadways and the presence of pedestrians on the shared space. These improvements, along with funding previously approved by the Board of Alders from the State of Connecticut for improvements on the Green, will create much improved conditions for pedestrians and other vulnerable users as they access the Green and enjoy improved amenities.

The City has worked with the Proprietors of the Green, the three Churches on the Green, and many other stakeholders to solicit input on the roadway safety improvements contemplated under these grant funds. Furthermore, this work builds upon many previous plans including the 2011 Project for Public Spaces plan for the Green. Much of the input from all these stakeholders and the public has been incorporated into the scope of this project.

Thank you for your consideration of this matter. If you have any questions, please feel free to contact me at 203-946-8105.

Respectfully submitted,

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