REPLACEMENT ITEM #20

INTRODUCED BY:
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COURT OF COMMON COUNCIL City of Hartford, February 24, 2020

WHEREAS, The City of Hartford has been regional leaders in implementing sound changes that has stared the way to prosperity for many communities for over a century. This morality can be found in the day to day life of successful people, all deriving from diverse beginnings and unique cultures throughout our state. We hereby extend to the administration, with further collaboration with The Board of Education and other vested partners in pronouncing The City of Hartford as a STEAM (Science, Technology, Engineering, Arts, Math) City; and

WHEREAS, While every State can attribute to its own successes the crucial role of equity and diversity, Hartford Connecticut has served as a leading entity. Furnishing surrounding towns with the diversity necessary to build healthy communities. Neighboring towns such as Bloomfield and Windsor has taken such a stance, identifying the immediate educational impact on our children and the ability to execute vital economic sustainability for our future; and

WHEREAS, These characteristics have placed an obligated burden on our Capital City, in a manner that requires shared sacrifices through bold explorations and a must do attitude to shape the future of our children and to ensure we are poised to preparing them for the globally competitive 21st century; and

WHEREAS, Connecticut has always been an impact state, hosting some of the finest educational institutions in this great country, and its Capital has always been an impact city, with a scaled relativity to any major city as it pertains to culture and diversity; and

WHEREAS, It is at this juncture we urge the administration, in collaboration with City Council, The Board of Education and other vested entities to make this bold move of investing in the future of our children and the STEAM and program that has presented a rare opportunity of monumental positioning of our youths; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That the Hartford City Council, in collaboration with The Mayor's Office and Hartford Public Schools Board of Education, declare The City of Hartford a STEAM city, investing our efforts with the STEAM program for a collaborative impact in this globally competitive 21st century, to develop the necessary skill sets needed for our greatest investment, our children and their survival; and be it further

RESOLVED, That the Hartford City Council in collaboration with The Mayor's Office and The Board of Education and other vested national and community-based organizations takes this vital role of ensuring all reasonable efforts to attain these endeavors is pursued and exhausted for the greater good of the City of Hartford and this region.