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New People Friendly Stamford Scorecard Reviews Votes of 30th Board of Representatives

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STAMFORD, CT - This weekend People Friendly Stamford (PFS) releases its first <u>Safe Streets Scorecard</u>. The 2021 <u>Scorecard</u>



reviews key votes of the current members of the 30th Board of Representatives related to their mission "to transform Stamford's neighborhoods to make them more walkable and bikeable, economically vibrant, affordable, and less reliant on cars." The Scorecard showcases the broad support "People Friendly" issues have among both Democrats and Republicans, with high scoring Representatives found across 16 of the 20 Districts.

The 2021 Scorecard includes 11 Board of Representative votes since 2018 that PFS identified as key to their mission. The Board of Representatives ultimately supported the PFS position on 8 of the 11 votes. Representatives Gloria DePina (5), Benjamin Lee (15) and Matthew Quinones (16) each had a perfect score of 100%. They and 10 additional members have been designated "Safe Streets Champions" for scoring 80%-100% including Monica Di Costanzo (7), Anabel Figueroa (8), Philip Giordano (10), Jonathan Jacobson (12), Bob Lion (19), Bradley Michelson (1), Eric Morson (13), Susan Nabel (20), Tom Pendell (15), and David Watkins (1). Nine additional Representatives have been labeled "Safe Streets Supporters" for scoring 50% to 79%, including Elise Coleman (3), Virgil de la Cruz (2), Mary Lisa Fedeli (17), Raven Matherne (19), Mavina Moore (10), Denis Patterson (6), Robert Roqueta (4), Annie Summerville (6) and Lila Wallace (5). Five members had too few votes to be scored.

Since the group formed in 2010, bicycle and pedestrian infrastructure has been expanded, new technologies and policies have improved safety at crossings, and related fatalities have stayed low especially when compared to similar cities. Earlier this year PFS gave their <u>Inaugural Safe Streets</u> <u>Award</u> to outgoing City of Stamford Transportation Bureau Chief, Jim Travers.

Jerry Silber, one of the founders of PFS, says, "We've been advocating for a more walkable and bikeable Stamford as a group for 10 years now. It's important that we take time today to celebrate all the successes and thank our Champions and Supporters who have shared our vision of a safer and more equitable city."

For more information visit <u>www.peoplestamford.com/scorecard</u>, email <u>info@peoplestamford.org</u> or contact Will Wright <u>will@peoplestamford.org</u> for further comment.