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VIA EMAIL

Senator Steve Cassano
Representative Jill Barry
Representative Jason Doucette
Legislative Office Building
Hartford, CT 06106-1591

Re: Resolution in Support of Action Concerning Crimes by Juveniles

Dear Senator Cassano and Representatives Barry and Doucette:

As a follow up to the recent forum in Glastonbury concerning serious and repeated crimes committed by juveniles, the Council, by unanimous action at its special meeting of Wednesday, August 11, 2021, adopted the attached Resolution in Support of Action Concerning Crimes by Juveniles. By taking this action, the Council reinforced its prior request for a Special State Legislative Session to amend State laws to address this serious and continuing public safety issue experienced in communities across this State.

Just this past week, yet other incidents involving young people and thefts occurred in Glastonbury. Specifically, two individuals stole a purse from a customer's car at Best Dry Cleaners off Main Street. A short time later, two individuals forcibly removed a gentleman from his car as he prepared to deposit items at the Goodwill drop box also on Main Street. The car was stolen. These incidents add to a series of similar events in Glastonbury over past weeks and months.

As Glastonbury and other communities continue to struggle with this issue, you are asked to do all you can to enact laws to assist law enforcement and provide consequences to those committing these repeat offenses. It would seem only a matter of time before another tragedy occurs resulting from this situation.

Your efforts to support meaningful change is required.

Sincerely,



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cc: All copies sent via email

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