



## RESOLUTION

### EXPRESSING SUPPORT FOR THE EFFORTS OF THE SAINT FRANCIS XAVIER CHURCH FOUNDATION

### *CITY OF NASHUA*

*In the Year Two Thousand and Four*

**RESOLVED** by the Board of Aldermen of the City of Nashua

WHEREAS, St. Francis Xavier Church was built from the savings of the immigrant French Canadians that resided in the so-called "French Hill" section of Nashua over 100 year ago;

WHEREAS, St. Francis Xavier Church has served the people as a house of worship and a center of community life for these many years, and;

WHEREAS, St. Francis Xavier Church is a unique structure built of marble from a design of architect Timothy G. O'Connell who designed hundreds of churches across New England from the 1890's to the 1930's, and;

WHEREAS, St. Francis Xavier Church stands high on a hill as a monument to Nashua's religious and ethnic heritage, and;

WHEREAS, the St. Francis Xavier Church Foundation was formed by former parishioners of the church to raise funds to help preserve the structure as a house of worship, and;

WHEREAS, the Mayor of the City of Nashua has appointed the St. Francis Xavier Church Task Force to determine alternative uses for the church, and;

BE IT RESOLVED, the Nashua Board of Aldermen support the efforts of the St. Francis Xavier Church Foundation in its effort to acquire the church and rectory located on Chandler Street in Nashua. In doing so, the Nashua Board of Aldermen has agreed to support suspending the meetings of the St. Francis Xavier Church Task Force appointed by the Mayor of Nashua for a period of ninety (90) days commencing February 19, 2004. We strongly urge the diocese to listen and to review, in good faith, all communications submitted by the St. Francis Xavier Church Foundation. Both groups have made the commitment to move forward and cooperate in their respective efforts.

**LEGISLATIVE YEAR 2004**

**RESOLUTION:**                    **R-2004-25**

**PURPOSE:**                        **Expressing support for the efforts of the Saint Francis Xavier Church Foundation**

**SPONSOR(S):**                    **Alderman-at-Large James R. Tollner  
Alderman-at-Large Steven A. Bolton  
Alderman Robert A. Dion, Ward 6  
Alderman-at-Large David Rootovich  
Alderman Richard Larose, Ward 2**

**COMMITTEE  
ASSIGNMENT:**

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**ANALYSIS**

This resolution expresses support by the Nashua Board of Aldermen in supporting the efforts of the St. Francis Xavier Church Foundation in its effort to acquire the church and rectory located on Chandler Street in Nashua. In doing so, the Nashua Board of Aldermen has agreed to support suspending the meetings of the St. Francis Xavier Church Task Force appointed by the Mayor of Nashua for a period of ninety (90) days commencing February 19, 2004. We strongly urge the diocese to listen and to review, in good faith, all communications submitted by the St. Francis Xavier Church Foundation. Both groups have made the commitment to move forward and cooperate in their respective efforts.

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**Approved as to form:**                    **Office of Corporation Counsel**

**By:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Date:** \_\_\_\_\_