## CITY OF NEW BEDFORD

## IN CITY COUNCIL

**September 24, 2015** 

## RESOLUTION HONORING THE CITIZENS OF THE CITY OF NEW BEDFORD FOR THEIR SUCCESSFUL RECYCLING EFFORTS

WHEREAS, The City of New Bedford, Massachusetts, began a new automated curbside collection system for trash and recyclables in June of 2014; and

WHEREAS, New Bedford's new collection program was designed to increase recycling, reduce litter on City streets and decrease the amount of solid waste being sent to the local landfill; and

WHEREAS, Under the new system, City residents have managed to reduce the amount of waste sent to the Crapo Hill Landfill by thirty percent and increase the recycling rate by ninety-five percent; and

WHEREAS, The change has also helped the City save money and has had a positive impact on the environment; and

WHEREAS, The residents of New Bedford have worked to improve the cleanliness of their neighborhoods and City, have doubled the City's recycling rate and by following guidelines, City streets and sidewalks are cleaner and the quality of life in our neighborhoods has improved:

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That the New Bedford City Council hereby honors THE CITIZENS OF THE CITY OF NEW BEDFORD FOR THEIR SUCCESSFUL RECYCLING EFFORTS, thanks them for their work in improving the quality of life in their respective neighborhoods and for the example they have set for other Cities.