CITY OF NEW BEDFORD

IN CITY COUNCIL

January 28, 2016

RESOLUTION HONORING ANNE M. OLIVEIRA SOUTHCOAST TEACHER OF THE YEAR 2015

WHEREAS, Anne Oliveira is the daughter of Maria and Mario Lima, Azorean immigrants who were determined to give their daughter every opportunity the United States of America had to offer; and

WHEREAS, Anne Oliveira and her sister, Teresa attended Our Lady of Mount Carmel School, Anne graduated from Bishop Stang High School in 1979, and received a Bachelor of Science degree in 1983, and a Masters Degree in Biology from Bridgewater State College in 1987; and

WHEREAS, Anne Oliveira began her career in education in 1987, teaching Science to eighth-graders at Normandin Junior High School, later transferring to New Bedford High School in 1988; and

WHEREAS, Anne Oliveira has taught Science at New Bedford High School for the past twenty-nine years and currently teaches Biology and Advanced Placement Biology at New Bedford High School; and

WHEREAS, From 2006 to 2013, Anne Oliveira served as Director of Science, Technology/Engineering and Occupational Nursing for Grades K-12 for New Bedford Public Schools, adding several Courses, such as Advanced Placement Environmental Science, Forensic Science, the award winning Robotics Program and the Engineering Technology Academy; and

WHEREAS, Anne Oliveira has been instrumental in the development of the Grow Education Club, a program for first-graders linking science and nutrition and the Garden Club, an after-school club for elementary students focusing on science and gardening; and

WHEREAS, In addition, Anne Oliveira developed the Undersea Technology Apprentice Program in coordination with the Naval Undersea Warfare Center in Newport, Rhode Island, a program which allows New Bedford teens the opportunity to participate in a four-week internship with Naval engineers; and

WHEREAS, Anne Oliveira also serves as a curriculum consultant for New Bedford's Summer Sea Lab Program; and

WHEREAS, Anne M. Oliveira's many nominations for Southcoast Teacher of the Year 2015 came from not only her colleagues, but from notable City and State officials who are aware of her innovative contributions in the realm of education, teaching by example and deed and inspiring her students; and

WHEREAS, For her many efforts over the last three decades as an outstanding educator, Anne M. Oliveira has been named Southcoast Teacher of the Year 2015, a distinction bestowed by the Community Foundation of Southeastern Massachusetts and the New Bedford Standard-Times:

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That the New Bedford City Council hereby honors ANNE M. OLIVEIRA SOUTHCOAST TEACHER OF THE YEAR 2015, thanks her for her dedication to the education of our City's youth, congratulates ANNE on her on many accomplishments and wishes her continued future success.