RESOLUTION

URGING THE STATE DELEGATION TO PURSUE CORRECTION OF INEQUITY OF MUNICIPAL LIABILITY IN NEW HAMPSHIRE RETIREMENT SYSTEM

CITY OF NASHUA

In the Year Two Thousand and Six

RESOLVED by the Board of Aldermen of the City of Nashua

WHEREAS, The annual municipal budgeting process is required to provide employer contribution into the New Hampshire Retirement System, which along with school support and healthcare funding, are the principal components of municipal operating budgets; and

WHEREAS, The employer contribution, a non-fixed amount to be combined with the fixed employee contribution, being driven by number of retirees, longevity, projected retirement ages, projected benefits and an assumed rate of earnings on NHRS investments, is beyond municipal budgetary control; and

WHEREAS, There has been apparent failure to contain the growth in employer contribution under the present state statutes;

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Aldermen of the City of Nashua that the Board of Aldermen respectfully request that the state delegation of Nashua aggressively pursue remedies to the inequity, including but not limited to:

1) Fixing contributions to be proportional toward the Assumption Rate from each of the employer, state and employee.

2) Reversing the 1983 enactment of RSA 100-A:16, II(h) such that investment earnings in excess of the Assumption Rate will once again be applied toward the employer contribution obligation.

3) Provide municipalities with a New Hampshire Retirement System Board of Trustees seat (Reference RSA 100-A:14).