



RESOLUTION

HONORING KATHERINE HERSH

CITY OF NASHUA

In the Year Two Thousand and Thirteen

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

WHEREAS, Katherine (“Kathy”) Hersh is retiring from her position as Director of the Community Development Division after 12 years of dedicated service to the City of Nashua, New Hampshire; and

WHEREAS, Kathy Hersh moved to Nashua 28 years ago and has been active in the Nashua Community since that time; and

WHEREAS, Kathy Hersh was a member of the Conservation Commission from 1988 through 1991 and led the effort to establish a wetlands ordinance for the City which was adopted by citizen referendum in January 1991. Kathy was instrumental in the acquisition and protection of approximately 500 acres of conservation land located in the southwest quadrant of the City and 500 acres of conservation land now known as the Northwest Conservation Land; and

WHEREAS, Kathy Hersh was elected to the Board of Aldermen as an Alderman-at-Large serving from 1992 to August 2001 and served as President from 2000 to August 2001; and

WHEREAS, Kathy Hersh spearheaded the acquisition of the Heritage Rail Trail in the 1990s and continued to work to develop green space along the trail; and

WHEREAS, Kathy Hersh led the efforts to purchase Rotary Common as mitigation for the F.E. Everett Turnpike and gathered funding for its design and construction; and

WHEREAS, Kathy Hersh oversaw the continued development of the Nashua Riverwalk, articulating a strong emphasis on the Nashua River’s role in the continued vitality and viability of downtown; and

WHEREAS, Kathy Hersh has been employed in various aspects of community and economic development in both the public and private sectors. As Director of the Community Development Division, Kathy acquired over \$15 million in funds for the City, including funds for Brownfields, Economic Development Initiatives, lead abatement, and more. She oversaw completion of the Downtown Master Plan as well as introduced the International Sculpture Symposium in 2007 making Nashua the only city in the United States which has an annual International Sculpture Symposium; and

NOW THEREFORE, Mayor Donnalee Lozeau and the Board of Aldermen, on behalf of the citizens of Nashua, express their deep gratitude and appreciation to Kathy Hersh and her family for her many years of service and dedication to the City of Nashua and its citizens and in her honor, name the portion of the Nashua Riverwalk from Main Street to Margarita’s Restaurant the “Kathy Hersh Riverwalk.”

LEGISLATIVE YEAR 2013

RESOLUTION: R-13-128

PURPOSE: Honoring Katherine Hersh

ENDORSERS: Mayor Donnalee Lozeau
Board of Aldermen

**COMMITTEE
ASSIGNMENT:**

FISCAL NOTE: None

ANALYSIS

This resolution honors Katherine Hersh for her years of public and private service to the City of Nashua and dedicates a section of the Riverwalk in her honor.

Approved as to form: Office of Corporation Counsel

By: 

Date: June 21, 2013