

City Councillor Steven Martins honors pizza delivery driver Jarrid



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New Bedford Ward Two City Councillor Steven Martins will honor Jarrid Tansey this week during the city council session. "On Thursday, January 22, 2014, I will be pleased to honor pizza delivery driver, Jarrid Tansey, at City Hall in the New Bedford City Council Chambers. Jarrid will be in attendance with his family".

“Jarrid is a hard working young man whose story is like every young adult who is trying to make a living and provide for his family. He goes to work every day, works over 40 hours and does it with a good attitude and smile on his face. His actions in the video sent a strong message across the world that this type of bullying is not acceptable and he inspired all of us”, said Councillor Martins.

Last Wednesday, **a video went viral** by a security camera at F & R Auto Sales in Westport, MA, which shows employees’ getting in a heated argument with Jarrid over failing to return change after they gave him two \$20 bills and two \$5 bills. He left with the money – a \$7.78 tip. Only to return by the request of the car dealership employees’ to give back the money and humiliate him on video.

The video, which nearly had 1 million views across the world, triggered people’s outrage. Mr. Tansey, a New Bedford resident, who earns minimum wage as a pizza delivery driver and also works a second job, said he was “honored” to be receiving this Citation by the New Bedford City Council.

In addition to the special ceremony and inspired by many right here in the community, there will be a letter read by Councillor Martins with a special message from Fernandes Masonry, a dynamic masonry construction firm located in the City of New Bedford, who is heavily involved in the community.

The New Bedford City Council Meeting will begin at 7:00 p. m., and is open to the public.
