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State sues over loss of \$84M in disaster funds

By Jordan Nathaniel Fenster STAFF WRITER

Weeks after flooding in Texas killed at least 134 people, Connecticut is su-

ing the Trump administration over its piece of a \$4.5 billion program designed to protect against natural disasters.

Connecticut and 19 other states are filing suit in

federal court over the loss of funding through the Building Resilient Infrastructure and Communities Program, commonly called BRIC, state Attorney General William

Tong said during a Wednesday news conference in Stamford.

"For more than 30 years, states and municipalities have depended on **Disaster continues on A4**



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A car is parked in a flooded area during a storm in Stamford on Aug. 18, 2024. The state is suing the Trump administration over the loss of \$84 million in federal disaster funds.



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From record-setters to red carpet: Show celebrates H.S. athletes, coaches



Meet the winners: At top of page. Yale men's basketball coach

WEST HAVEN

Finance director for schools resigns

By Brian Zahn STAFF WRITER

WEST HAVEN - A second employee hired in January to work in the school district's central office has tendered her resignation.

Superintendent of Schools Neil Cavallaro said Monday that finance director Kimberlee Kinsella "suddenly left after about six months on the job." At that meeting, the school board reviewed Kinsella's resignation, effective June 27, on its agenda prior to voting to hire Ann Adriani as the new finance director. Cavallaro said Adriani comes to the district from North Haven's school district and was "highly recommended" by some people who spoke with.

Following the meeting, Cavallaro said Kinsella has family in California, and after she took some vacation time in late May it was "an open secret" that she may be looking for another change.

Kinsella did not immediately respond to an emailed request for comment Wednesday.

Cavallaro said that Matt Cavallaro, who **Resigns continues on A4**

New Haven OKs 150-room hotel for downtown

By Roger Cleaveland STAFF WRITER

BRIDGEPORT -The inaugural GametimeCT High School Awards Show on Wednesday night evoked a variety of emotions from the loud, appreciative invitation-only crowd of several hundred at the Hartford HealthCare Amphitheater.

The celebration of Connecticut's most outstanding athletes, coaches, teams and sports moments from the past school year

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keynote speech at the inaugural GametimeCT **High School Sports** Awards show at the Hartford HealthCare Amphitheater Wednesday in Bridgeport. Above center, athletes, their families and friends assemble in the arena. Clockwise from left, members of the **Bloomfield Girls Track** Team celebrate after they were named Team of the Year in Girls Sports at the ceremony; sports editor Mike Barger distributes T-shirts; and Alex Inyatkin of Windsor High School receives a standing ovation after being presented with the Inspiration Award.

By Brian Zahn STAFF WRITER

NEW HAVEN - The City Plan Commission approved an application for 150room extended stay hotel with a restaurant that will be built at the site of an old laundromat.

A Pennsylvania-based developer's Residence Inn proposal for Park Street between George and Crown Streets was approved in 3-1. It will build a six-story hotel at the site of a vacant laundromat and medical services office, which will be knocked down.

The vote came after a public hearing, which had been requested by commis-Hotel continues on A4

Developers seek special exception for Chick-fil-A in Milford

By Brian Gioiele STAFF WRITER

MILFORD - Chick-fil-A's popular chicken sandwich and waffle fries may

Milford. Developers are seeking a special exception from the city's Planning and Zoning

Board to construct a Chick-

soon be on the menu in fil-A on a 1.35-acre portion of the Milford Crossing Shopping Center parking lot. The building would be 5,097 square feet and have a two-lane drive-thru.

Chick-fil-A has 16 locations throughout Connecticut, recently opening locations in Shelton and West Haven.

The board opened a



Some board members also asked the developer to "rethink" the redesigned roadway from the Boston Post Road to the interior to-Chick-fil-A continues on A4

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