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CITY OF BOSTON IN CITY COUNCIL

ORDER FOR A HEARING REGARDING DIVERSION SERVICES FOR TRASH AT LARGE BOSTON VENUES

WHEREAS, Large venues within the City of Boston produce tons of trash during each event held at the venue; and,

WHEREAS, Large venues do not have the time, capacity or resources to sort the trash produced at each event; and,

WHEREAS, Current waste streams from venues are simply disposed of at landfills or incinerators; and,

WHEREAS, There are important environmental and economic impacts for the sorting of waste items for recycling; and,

WHEREAS, Landfill waste diversion services that recover high value recyclable commodities from trash at major venues are important for the City of Boston; and,

WHEREAS, Conserving landfill space and reduce climate polluting gases are major environmental policy goals for the City of Boston.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT ORDERED,

That the appropriate committee of the Boston City Council holds a hearing to examine the diversion of trash in the interest of recovering recyclables at large Boston venues. Representatives of the City of Boston Public Works Department Sanitary and Recycling Divisions, City of Boston Environment Department as well as representatives from the Boston Red Sox, Boston Celtics, Boston Bruins, Boston Convention and Exhibition Center, House of Blues Boston, MGM Music Hall at Fenway, Boch Wang Theater, Boston College, Boston University and Northeastern University along with advocates, residents of the city and other interested parties shall be invited to attend.

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