



City of Boston, Massachusetts
Office of the Mayor
Michelle Wu

January 23, 2023

TO THE CITY COUNCIL

Dear Councilors:

I transmit herewith for your approval an order appropriating from the Edward Ingersoll Browne Fund the sum of one million four hundred and seventy five thousand dollars (\$1,475,000) for projects described in the attached order. The Edward Ingersoll Browne Fund Commissioners met on December 7, 2022, and voted to approve these projects and to establish a dedicated repair and restoration fund for Browne Fund projects. Until this year, there has not been a dedicated fund to help support repair and restoration of these beloved but aging community enhancements. Since the 1980s, the Browne Fund has awarded 265 grants totaling more than \$25 million.

It is my belief, and that of the Commission, that these projects will “ornament the City’s streets, ways, squares and parks” as Mr. Browne directed in his Will in the year 1892.

Respectfully,

Michelle Wu
Mayor
City of Boston

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ORDERED: That the sum of one million four hundred and seventy five thousand dollars (\$1,475,000) be, and the same hereby is, appropriated from the income of the Edward Ingersoll Browne Fund, pursuant to a vote of the Edward Ingersoll Browne Fund Commission and further that the said sum be expended as follows:

To the Rose Kennedy Greenway Conservancy for design services for lighting at Chin Park, Boston.....\$50,000

To the Chinatown Community Land Trust for design of the Chinatown Workers Statues Project, location selection will be part of the design process, Chinatown\$50,000

To the Fenway Civic Association and the Boston Parks and Recreation Department for design services for the John Boyle O'Reilly Monument at Back Bay Fens Park in the vicinity of the Boylston Street Bridge, Fenway\$50,000

To the Frederick Douglass Sculpture Committee and the Boston Arts Commission for artists fees and installation costs for the Frederick Douglass Memorial on Tremont Street in Roxbury.....\$125,000

To the Cocoanut Grove Memorial Committee and the Boston Parks and Recreation to support the Cocoanut Grove Memorial, specifically for costs associated with the contemplation benches, educational plaques and related site work at Statler Park, Back Bay.....\$75,000

To the Friends of Crite Park and the Boston Public Works Department for Allen Rohan Crite Park Improvements, specifically for site furniture in seating alcoves in the Park on Columbus Ave and Appleton Street in South End.....\$125,000

To the Unitarian Universalist Urban Ministry to improve public access to the greenspace at First Church Roxbury, specifically for costs associated with the pathway and seating area between Roxbury Street and Dudley Street on the western end of the church property in Roxbury\$50,000

To the Codman Square Neighborhood Council and the Boston Parks and Recreation Department to support improvements to the greenspace at Codman Square, specifically for costs associated with the artistic letters and artistic paving at the corner of the park near Washington and Talbot Streets in Roxbury.....\$125,000

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To the Friends of the Public Garden for lighting of the William Lloyd Garrison Memorial Statue on Commonwealth Avenue Mall in Back Bay.
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To the Gardens for Charlestown, Inc. to improve the publicly accessible community garden, specifically for costs associated with reconstruction and beautification of borders and retaining walls at the garden located at 499 Main Street, Charlestown.....\$125,000

To the Boys & Girls Clubs of Dorchester to improve the publicly accessible space at the new Dorchester Fieldhouse at 315 Mt Vernon Street, specifically for costs associated with creating a welcoming public park entrance and landscaped edge along Mount Vernon Street in Dorchester\$125,000

To the Friends of Memorial Hall Committee for additional support for improvements to the Memorial Hall fence and associated landscape on Green Street in Charlestown\$25,000

To establish a dedicated repair and restoration fund to provide periodic support for previously funded Browne Fund projects that require investment beyond the regular maintenance required of grant recipients. Support toward repair and restoration project costs should be generally consistent with the Browne Fund grant's portion of the original total project costs\$500,000

**I HEREBY CERTIFY
THE FORGOING, IF PASSED IN
THE ABOVE FORM, WILL BE IN
ACCORDANCE WITH LAW.**
BY 
ADAM CEDERBAUM
CORPORATION COUNSEL