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.>> GOOD AFTERNOON.  
CAN EVERYONE HEAR?  
CAN WE GET THE SOUND UP JUST A  
LITTLE BIT.  
BETTER, BETTER.  
LITTLE LOUDER, OKAY, GOOD.  
MY COLLEAGUES WOULD JUST TAKE  
THEIR SEATS.  
I WOULD LIKE TO WELCOME EVERYONE  
TO FANEUIL HALL.  
MADAM CLERK COULD YOU CALL THE  
ROLL TO ASCERTAIN THE PRESENCE  
OF A QUORUM.  
>> YES THANK YOU.  
COUNCILMEMBER FLAHERTY, PRESENT,  
COMG, PRESENT.  
COUNCILMEMBER WU, COMZ, MADAM  
PRESIDENT EVERYONE IS PRESENT.  
>> THANK YOU, I'D LIKE TO ASK  
ALL COUNCILORS AND GUESTS TO  
RISE.  
TO ANNOUNCE THE FAITH LEASHED  
TODAY.  
COUNCILOR ESSAIBI-GEORGE.  
>> INSTITUTE OF REGISTER IN  
2010.  
AT TEMPLE ISRAEL HE IS A LEASHED  
IN SOCIAL JUSTICE AND WORKS  
CLOSELY WITH FAMILIES, WITH THE  
FAMILIES OF YOUNG CHILDREN  
PROGRAM.  
HE IS AN ACTIVE MEMBER ON THE  
BOARDS OF THE JEWISH ALLIANCE OF  
SOCIAL ACTION, THE MASSACHUSETTS  
BOARD OF RABBIS AND THE  
PLURALISM PROJECT.  
HIS WORDS AND CONVERSATIONS HAVE  
BROUGHT GREAT SORT OF RELIEF AND  
PLEASURE TO ME, BUT ALSO,  
PRAYERFULNESS AND THOUGHTFULNESS  
AND I WAS VERY EXCITE THEY'D  
RABBI SOFER WAS ABLE TO COME  
TODAY AND TO SPEAK BEFORE US AND  
THANK YOU SO MUCH.  
PLEASE WELCOME RABBI SOFER.  
[APPLAUSE]

>> I WANT TO THANK COUNCILOR  
GEORGE. IN ANOTHER WEEK THE JIISH  
COMMUNITY WILL WELCOME IN ROSH  
HASHANAH.

WE LIGHT CANDLES, WE DO THIS TO  
REMINDE US OF OUR HUMAN ABILITY  
TO ELEVATE OUR LIVES AND TO DRAW  
OURSELVES CLOSER TO WHAT WE HOLD  
AS SACRED.

BUT THIS YEAR WE NEED EMOTIONAL MORE THAN  
CANDLES, AND WE ALL KNOW WHY.

THIS YEAR WE NEED A TORCH.

BEGINNING WITH THESE WORDS,  
WRITTEN BY AN AMERICAN POET WHO  
DIED AT A VERY YOUNG AGE OF 38.  
THESE WORDS WERE WRITTEN IN 1883  
AND ONLY BRIEFLY DID THEY CATCH  
THE PUBLIC EYE BUT 20 YEARS  
LATER THEY WERE ATTACHED TO A  
STATUE, FOREVER CALLING US TO A  
SHARED, SACRED PURPOSE.

HERE AT OUR SEA WASHED SUNSET  
GATES, SHALL STAND A MIGHTY  
WOMAN WITH A TORCH.

WHOSE FLAME IS THE IMPRISONED  
LIGHTNING AND HER NAME, MOTHER  
OF EXILES.

FROM HER BY THE WAY CONNED HAND  
WORLDWIDE WELCOME.

THE AIR BRIDGED HARBOR, THAT  
TWIN CITIES FRAME, KEEP AIN YENT  
LANDS YOUR STORIED POMP CRIES  
SHE WITH SILENT LIPS.

GIVE ME YOUR TIRED YOUR POOR  
YOUR HUDDLED MASSES, YEARNING TO  
BREATHE FREE.

THE REGISTERED REFUSE OF YOUR  
SHORE, TELL POSSESS TOSSED TO ME  
I LIFT MY LAMP BESIDE THE GOLDEN  
DOOR.

THESE WORDS OF EMMA LAZARUS ARE  
AS URGENT NOW AS THEY HAVE EVER  
BEEN.

AND AS CONTEMPORARY KINDLERS OF  
THIS ENDURING LAMP LET US LIGHT  
OUR HEARTS FOR THIS PRAYER.

O GOD, GOD OF OUR ANCESTORS,  
SOURCE OF LIGHT AND WISDOM AND  
COMPASSION, AS THESE LEADERS  
ASSEMBLE TO PROCEED WITH THE  
WORK OF GOVERNANCE IN THIS  
DIFFICULT TIME, WE ASK FOR YOUR  
BLESSING UPON THEM AND UPON ALL  
WHO PURSUED A SOCIETY OF

WORLDWIDE WELCOME.

AS WE STILL HEAR THE CRIES OF  
THOSE YEARNING TO BE -- BREATHE  
FREE, A YEARNING FOR FREEDOM  
FROM POVERTY, THE FREEDOM FROM  
INEQUALITY, THE FREEDOM FROM  
BIGOTRY, THE FREEDOM FROM RACIAL  
AND ETHNIC SUPREMACY, FREEDOM  
FROM THE LIVES OF CORRUPT  
LEADERS WHOM WE PRAY MAY YET  
FIND THEIR PATHWAYS TO MORAL  
REHABILITATION.

MAY YOU BLESS THESE RIGHTEOUS  
LEADERS OF OUR GREAT CITY.

WITH THE COURAGE AND THE WILL TO  
SEEK AND FIND WORKABLE SOLUTIONS  
TO THE CRISES THAT WE FACE, TO  
PURSUE WHAT IS GOOD AND WHAT IS  
RIGHT, AND WITH THE STRUGGLE,  
WITH THE STRENGTH, WITH THE HOPE  
TO LIFT UP THE LAMP, HOWEVER  
WEALTHY, AND LET IT -- WEIGHTY  
AND LET IT SHINE THROUGHOUT ALL  
CORNERS OF OUR PRECIOUS WORLD AS  
WE SAY TOGETHER, AMEN.

>> AMEN..

>> WE ASK COUNCILOR  
ESSAIBI-GEORGE TO LEAD US IN THE  
PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE.

[ PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE ]

>> THANK YOU RASHI, THANK YOU  
COUNCILOR ESSAIBI-GEORGE.  
MINUTES FROM LAST MEETING.  
HEARING NO OBJECTION, THE  
MINUTES ARE APPROVED.

ON TO

PETITIONS, MEMORIALS AND  
REMONSTRANCES:

>> DOCKET NUMBER 1192 PETITION  
OF SB PARTNERS, LLC, FOR A  
LICENSE TO OPERATE MOTOR  
VEHICLES FOR THE CARRIAGE OF  
PASSENGERS FOR HIRE OVER CERTAIN  
STREETS IN BOSTON.

>> DOCKET 1192 WILL BE ASSIGNED  
TO THE COMMITTEE OF  
ADMINISTRATION.

>> DOCKET NUMBER 1193 PETITION  
OF HIREN BOSTON, LLC, FOR A  
LICENSE TO OPERATE MOTOR  
VEHICLES FOR THE CARRIAGE OF  
PASSENGERS FOR HIRE OVER CERTAIN  
STREETS IN BOSTON.

>> DOCKET 1193 WILL BE ASSIGNED

TO THE COMMITTEE OF PARKS  
RECREATION AND TRANSPORTATION.  
MADAM CLERK IF YOU COULD READ  
THE NEXT THREE DOCKETS TOGETHER.  
>> THANK YOU, MADAM PRESIDENT.  
DOCKET NUMBER 1194 NOTICE WAS  
RECEIVED FROM THE MAYOR OF THE  
APPOINTMENT OF RICHARD DEPIANO,  
AS TEMPORARY FIRST ASSISTANT  
COLLECTOR-TREASURER FOR A PERIOD  
OF SIXTY DAYS, EFFECTIVE  
SEPTEMBER 6, 2017.

DOCKET NUMBER 1195 NOTICE WAS  
RECEIVED FROM THE MAYOR OF THE  
APPOINTMENT OF ANTHONY DELLO  
IACONO, AS TEMPORARY SECOND  
ASSISTANT COLLECTOR-TREASURER  
FOR A PERIOD OF SIXTY DAYS,  
EFFECTIVE SEPTEMBER 6, 2017.  
DOCKET NUMBER 1196 COMMUNICATION  
WAS RECEIVED FROM MARTIN R.  
HEALY, ATTORNEY AT GOODWIN LAW,  
REGARDING NOTICE OF FINANCING TO  
THE REPORT AND DECISION ON THE  
APPLICATION FOR APPROVAL OF  
BOSTON GARDEN DEVELOPMENT CORP.  
AND BOSTON PROPERTIES LIMITED  
PARTNERSHIP.

>> DOCKETS NUMBER 1194, 1195 AND  
1196, BE PLACED ON FILE.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES:

>> DOCKET NUMBER 0177 THE  
COMMITTEE ON GOVERNMENT  
OPERATIONS, TO WHICH WAS  
REFERRED ON JANUARY 25, 2017  
DOCKET #0177, MESSAGE AND ORDER  
APPROVING A HOME RULE PETITION  
TO THE GENERAL COURT ENTITLED  
"AN ACT RELATIVE TO BOARDS AND  
COMMISSIONS OF THE CITY OF  
BOSTON", SUBMITS A REPORT  
RECOMMENDING THE HOME RULE  
PETITION OUGHT TO PASS IN A NEW  
DRAFT.

>> CHAIR RECOLLECTION THE CHAIR  
OF THE COMMITTEE ON GOVERNMENT  
OPERATIONS, COUNCILOR FLAHERTY.  
>> MESSAGE AND ORDER WAS  
SPONSORED BY MAYOR MARTIN WHRACH  
BACK OFTEN JUNE THE 25th OF  
2017.

THIS HOME RULE PETITION PROPOSES  
TO ALLOW THE MAY TO APPOINT NEW  
MEMBERS TO CERTAIN BOARDS AND

COMMISSIONS IF THE RELEVANT NOMINATING COMMITTEE DOES NOT PROVIDE NOMINATIONS WITHIN 90 DAYS OF NOTIFYING THE VACANCY. THE COMMITTEE HELD A HEARING ON JULY THE 10th OF 2017 WHICH WAS FOLLOWED UP BY A WORKING SESSION ON AUGUST THE 29th, AT THE HEARING WE HEARD FROM DEPUTY CHIEF FOR POLICY DANNY GREEN, WHO TESTIFIED THAT THE PURPOSE OF THE LEGISLATION WAS FOR OPERATIONS WHEN VACANCIES OCCUR, FORMALIZING A PROCESS AND THE TIME LINE OF NOMINATIONS AND APPOINTMENTS.

AND ADDRESS ONGOING HOLDOVER SITUATIONS WHERE SOME OF THE BOARDS AND COMMISSIONS HAVE PEOPLE THAT HAVE BEEN SITTING ON A BOARD FOR OVER TEN YEARS IN HOLDOVER STATUS.

THE LONGEST DATING BACK TO 2004. WE ALSO HAVE SAM TYLER IN ATTENDANCE AS WELL AS MEMBERS OF THE CITY COUNCIL.

THE COMALT COMMITTEE ALSO DISCUSSED THE VACANCY PROCESS, HOW BOARDS AND COMMISSIONS FURTHER THE COMMITTEE INQUIRED ABOUT THE PROPOSAL LAND IT WOULD AFFECT COUNCIL CONFIRMATION POWERS AND RESIDENCY REQUIREMENTS AS WELL AS THE POSSIBILITY TO AMEND LANGUAGE TO REQUIRE LEGISLATION TO REQUIRE ALL BOARDS AND COMMISSIONS TO REQUIRE CONFIRMATION IN RESIDENCY.

BOARDS AND COMMISSIONS TO BE AFFECTED BY DOCKET 0177 WERE CONTACTED ON SEPTEMBER THE 1st CMENTD 2017 AND ENCOURAGED TO CONTACT THE COMMITTEE WITH RESPECT TO THE NEW POLICY. THE COMMITTEE PROPOSED DRAFT IN FRONT OF YOU HAS ADOPTED THE ADMINISTRATION'S CHANGES SUBMITTED FROM THE JULY 10th HEARING WHICH STRUCK THE BOSTON SCHOOL COMMITTEE NOMINATING FAMILY, THE NEW DRAFT ADDS A COUNCIL REQUIREMENT, TO APPOINTEES TO BOARDS AND

COMMISSIONS THAT ALREADY DO NOT  
HAVE IT.  
AFTER PASSAGE OF DOCKET 0177 THE  
AFOREMENTIONED BOARDS AND  
COMMISSIONS WOULD ALL BE UNIT TO  
MAYORAL APPOINTMENT SHOULD THE  
NOMINATIONS NOT BE RECEIVED, AND  
RESIDENCY APPOINTMENT FOR ALL  
APPOINTEES AND CONFIRMATION FOR  
ALL APPOINTEES.

AS CHAIR OF THE COMMITTEE OF  
GOVERNMENT APPOINTEES I ASK THAT  
THIS REPORT PASS.

>> ALL IN FAVOR SAY AYE, ANY SAY  
NAY, THE ICE HAVE IT, 0177 IS  
PASSED IN A NEW DRAFT.

MATTERS RECENTLY HEARD-FOR  
POSSIBLE ACTION:

>> DOCKET NUMBER 0820 ORDER FOR  
A HEARING TO DISCUSS A POLICY  
REFORM AND PUBLIC EDUCATION  
PROJECT WITH THE NATIONAL BLACK  
WOMEN'S JUSTICE INSTITUTE  
KNOWN AS NBWJI AND THE BOSTON  
CITY COUNCIL.

>> CHAIR RECOGNIZES THE CHAIR OF  
THE COMMITTEE ON HEALTH WOMEN  
CHILDREN AND FAMILIES, COUNCILOR  
PRESSLEY.

>> THANK YOU, MADAM PRESIDENT.  
AN INITIATIVE STARTED THIS  
SUMMER IN PARTNERSHIP WITH  
DR. MONIQUE MORRIS, FOUNDER OF  
THE NATIONAL BLACK WONS JUSTICE  
INSTITUTE, PROJECT FOCUS, GIRLS  
OF COLOR, PROJECT FOCUS GOC,  
POLICY STAKEHOLDERS AND SCHOOL  
CULTURE REFORMERS.

THE IMPETUS FOR THIS WAS THE  
SITUATION THAT WAS WIDELY  
REPORTED WITH THE KIRK SISTERS  
AT A CHARTER SCHOOL IN THE  
REGION WHO WERE DISCIPLINED FOR  
WEARING THEIR HAIR IN A SIMILAR  
STYLE TO MY OWN.

IN MASSACHUSETTS WE SEE THAT  
GIRLS OF COLOR, THE ENTIRE RAGE,  
SOMALI, ETHIOPIAN, DOMINICAN,  
JAMAICAN, NOT ONLY GROWING BUT  
MASS ANY CARS RATION, WE SEE  
MORE OR MORE OF THEM JUSTICE  
INVOLVED.

WHEN I RAN FOR OFFICE EIGHT  
YEARS AGO, I RAN TO FIGHT FOR

WOMEN AND GIRLS.

I NEVER PLEDGED TO ONLY FIGHT FOR THEM BUT I MADE IT CLEAR THAT GIRLS WERE IN NEED OF ADVOCACY AND MORE GENDER AND RESPONSIVE PROGRAMMING ACROSS THE BOARD.

WE KNOW THAT SCHOOL DISCIPLINE POLICIES AS WELL AS CSHT CONTRIBUTE CONSIDERABLY.

NEUTRAL ON THEIR FACE HAVE A DISPARATE IMPACT ON FIRLS OF COLOR.

IN ON GIRLS OF COLOR.

IN JULY WE THEPPED NATIONAL FOCUS INSTITUTE CONDUCT FOCUS GROUPS FOR GIRLS AND THEIR PARENTS AND ONE FOR SCHOOL PERSONNEL FROM BPS AND BOSTON AREA CHARTER AND PUBLIC SCHOOLS.

I THANK MY COLLEAGUES INFORM THEIR PARTICIPATION.

WE ONLY ACCEPTED TESTIMONY FROM GIRLS OF COLOR AND THEIR PARENTS ABOUT THEIR EXPERIENCE NECESSARY SCHOOL.

WE HEARD FROM AFRICAN AMERICAN GIRLS, FROM HAITIAN GIRLS FROM LATINO GIRLS, FROM MUSLIM GIRLS ABOUT HOW DISCIPLINE POLICIES DRESS CODE AND SCHOOL CLIMATE CAN PASS NOT ONLY THEIR ACADEMICS BUT THEIR SOCIAL EMOTIONAL WELL-BEING.

WE HEARD FROM THE NATIONAL JUSTICE INSTITUTE, DISCIPLINE AND OTHER POLICIES AS WELL AS WHAT THE GIRLS SHARED WITH FOCUS GROUPS WE CONDUCTED THIS SUMMER. IN OCTOBER, WE INVITED SCHOOL PERSONNEL FROM BPS AND BOSTON AREA CHARTER AND CATHOLIC SCHOOLS TO SHARE WHAT THEY ARE WORKING ON AND HOW THEY PLAN TO EMPOWER GIRLS OF COLOR IN THE DESIGN AND EVALUATION OF THEIR SCHOOL POLICIES.

I ASKED THAT THIS MATTER REMAIN IN COMMITTEE SO THAT WE CAN CONVENE THAT HEARING IN OCTOBER. THANK YOU.

>> THANK YOU, COUNCILOR PRESSLEY.

DOCKET 0820 WILL REMAIN IN THE

COMMITTEE OF HEALTH WOMEN AND  
COMMUNITIES.  
MADAM CLERK PLEASE READ THE REST  
OF THESE.

>> THANK YOU, MADAM PRESIDENT.  
DOCKET NUMBER 0465 MESSAGE AND  
ORDER FOR THE CONFIRMATION OF  
THE APPOINTMENT OF MARIE ST.  
FLEUR AS A MEMBER OF THE BOARD  
OF APPEAL FOR A TERM EXPIRING  
JULY 1, 2018.

DOCKET NUMBER 0466 MESSAGE AND  
ORDER FOR THE CONFIRMATION OF  
THE REAPPOINTMENT OF ANTHONY  
PISANI AS A MEMBER OF THE BOARD  
OF APPEAL FOR A TERM EXPIRING  
JULY 1, 2018.

DOCKET NUMBER 0467 MESSAGE AND  
ORDER FOR THE CONFIRMATION OF  
THE REAPPOINTMENT OF BRUCE  
BICKERSTAFF AS A MEMBER OF THE  
BOARD OF APPEAL FOR A TERM  
EXPIRING JULY 1, 2018.

DOCKET NUMBER 0468 MESSAGE AND  
ORDER FOR THE CONFIRMATION OF  
THE REAPPOINTMENT OF EUGENE  
KELLY AS A MEMBER OF THE BOARD  
OF APPEAL FOR A TERM EXPIRING  
JULY 1, 2018.

DOCKET NUMBER 0469 MESSAGE AND  
ORDER FOR THE CONFIRMATION OF  
THE REAPPOINTMENT OF KERRY WALSH  
LOGUE AS A MEMBER OF THE BOARD  
OF APPEAL FOR A TERM EXPIRING  
NOVEMBER 1, 2019.

DOCKET NUMBER 0470 MESSAGE AND  
ORDER FOR THE CONFIRMATION OF  
THE REAPPOINTMENT OF TYRONE  
KINDELL, JR. AS A MEMBER OF THE  
BOARD OF APPEAL FOR A TERM  
EXPIRING OCTOBER 1, 2019.

DOCKET NUMBER 0471 MESSAGE AND  
ORDER FOR THE CONFIRMATION OF  
THE REAPPOINTMENT OF MARK  
FORTUNE AS A MEMBER OF THE BOARD  
OF APPEAL FOR A TERM EXPIRING  
JUNE 1, 2018.

DOCKET NUMBER 0472 MESSAGE AND  
ORDER FOR THE CONFIRMATION OF  
THE REAPPOINTMENT OF MARK ERLICH  
AS A MEMBER OF THE BOARD OF  
APPEAL FOR A TERM EXPIRING  
SEPTEMBER 1, 2019.

DOCKET NUMBER 1007 MESSAGE AND

ORDER FOR THE CONFIRMATION OF  
THE RE-APPOINTMENT OF DAVID MARR  
AS A MEMBER TO THE ZONING  
COMMISSION FOR A TERM ENDING ON  
MAY 1, 2020.

DOCKET NUMBER 1008 MESSAGE AND  
ORDER FOR THE CONFIRMATION OF  
THE RE-APPOINTMENT OF JILL  
HATTON AS A MEMBER TO THE ZONING  
COMMISSION FOR A TERM ENDING ON  
MAY 1, 2020.

DOCKET NUMBER 1009 MESSAGE AND  
ORDER FOR THE CONFIRMATION OF  
THE APPOINTMENT OF ELLIOT  
GUERREROAS A MEMBER TO THE  
ZONING COMMISSION FOR A TERM  
ENDING ON MAY 1, 2020.

>> THANK YOU MADAM CLERK ON  
DOCKETS 0465 THROUGH 0472 AND  
1007 THROUGH 1009, CHAIR  
RECOGNIZES THE CHAIR OF THE  
COMMITTEE ON PLANNING AND  
DEVELOPMENT, COUNCILOR LINEHAN.

>> THANK YOU, MADAM PRESIDENT.  
YESTERDAY, SEPTEMBER 12th, WE  
MET AT 1:30, TO TALK WITH THE  
MEMBERS, EXISTING MEMBERS OF  
ZBA, AS WELL AS NEW APPOINTING  
MEMBERS, THAT THE MAYOR HAS  
OFFERED US FOR CONFIRMATION.  
JEFFREY HAMPTON WHO IS THE  
DEPUTY DIRECTOR OF ZONING, AND  
PLANNING -- OF THE PLANNING AND  
DEVELOPMENT AGENCY ATTENDED AND  
EXPLAINED THE VALUE OF THESE  
COMMISSIONS AND BOARDS.

AND WHAT HAPPENED IS THAT WE  
REVIEWED THE RESUMES, THE  
CREDENTIALS, THE APPOINTEES.  
EVERY SINGLE PERSON WHO WAS  
EITHER TO BE APPOINTED OR  
REAPPOINTED WAS THERE, TOOK  
QUESTIONS, AND ANSWERS.

I WANT TO THANK MEMBERS OF THE  
COMMITTEE, COUNCILOR FLAHERTY  
AND COUNCILLOR ZAKIM WHO WERE  
THERE ALSO, .

COUNCILORESSAIBI-GEORGE WHO WAS PRESENT,  
THEY ANSWERED ALL THE QUESTIONS  
AND WE ARE ASKING THAT ALL OF  
THESE MEMBERS BE CONFIRMED FOR  
APPOINTMENT AND REAPPOINTMENT.

>> THANK YOU, COUNCILOR LINEHAN.

>> THAT'S ABOUT THE ZBA.

>> OUR, PLEASE CONTINUE.  
>> AND THEN WE HAD A SECOND MEETING WHICH FOLD AT 2:00 THAT REAPPOINTMENTS TO THE ZONING COMMISSION.  
WHAT I SAID BEFORE, ALL MEMBERS WERE IN ATTENDANCE AND AS WELL AS THE NEW PERSON WHO'S BEING APPOINTED.  
WE ASKED APPROPRIATE QUESTIONS AND ARE RECOMMENDING CONFIRMATION OF ALL OF THESE INDIVIDUALS.  
THANK YOU.  
>> THANK YOU COUNCILOR LINEHAN. WOULD ANYONE ELSE LIKE TO SPEAK ON ANY OF THESE TOGETHER? WE'LL TAKE VOTES ONE BY ONE, IF NOT.  
OKAY AT THIS TIME COUNCILOR LINEHAN MOVES FOR CONFIRMATION OF ALL OF THESE INDIVIDUALS.  
AGAIN WE'LL VOTE ONE BY ONE STARTING WITH DOCKET 0465, ARE ALL IN FAVOR SAY AYE, ANY OPPOSED SAY NAY, CONFIRMED.  
0466, ALL IN FAVOR, AYE, OPPOSED 93, THE CONFIRMATION IS CONFIRMED.  
0467, ALL IN FAVOR, AYE, OPPOSED NAY, CONFIRMED.  
ARE 0468, EUGENE CANCEL CAN IS CONFIRMED.  
04 69, CONFIRMED.  
0470, ALL IN FAVOR SAY AYE, ANY OPPOSED SAY NAY THE ICE HAVE IT AND CONFIRMED.  
0471 COMFORTABLE ALL IN FAVOR SAY I'VE ANY OPPOSED NAY. CONFIRMED.  
0472, ALL IN FAVOR SAY EYE, ANY OPPOSED SAY NAY CONFIRMED.  
0107, CONFIRMED.  
1008, ALL IN FAVOR, SAY AYE, OPPOSED SAY NAY.  
MOTION ORDERS AND RESOLUTIONS.  
>> DOCKET NUMBER 1197 COUNCILOR O'MALLEY OFFERED THE FOLLOWING: ORDER FOR A HEARING REGARDING THE CITY'S RESPONSIVENESS TO EXTREME WEATHER EVENTS.  
>> COUNCILOR O'MALLEY YOU HAVE THE FLOOR.  
>> THANK YOU, MADAM PRESIDENT.

A LITTLE OVER A MONTH AGO I  
STOOD IN THE AUGUST HALL WITH  
ALL OF YOU INTRODUCING A  
DIFFERENT KIND OF HEARING ORDER  
REMARKED IN THE LAST SEVEN YEARS  
WE HAVE HAD 14, ONCE IN A  
HUNDRED YEAR WEATHER EVENTS ON  
PLANET EARTH, ASTOUNDING.  
SINCE THAT TIME THE NUMBER HAS  
INCREASED TO 16.

WE'VE HAD TWO CATEGORY 4  
HURRICANES COME INTO THE UNITED  
STATES IN A TEN DAY PERIOD.  
WE'VE NEVER HAD TWO CATEGORY 4  
HURRICANES IN A YEAR, WE HAD TWO  
IN ESSENTIALLY A WEEK AND A  
HALF.

THE TIME TO ACT IS NOW AND WE  
GET INTO A LITTLE BIT MORE  
SPECIFICS BUT SUFFICE IT TO SAY  
I'M INTRODUCING A HEARING ORDER  
TO EVALUATE THE CITY'S  
RESPONSIVENESS TO EXTREME  
WEATHER EVENT IN THE CITY OF  
BOSTON, WILL ADDRESS THE CURRENT  
EVACUATION PLAN AND PHYSICAL  
INFRASTRUCTURE IN THE CASE OF A  
NATURAL WEATHER CATASTROPHE IN  
OUR CITY IDENTIFY A POTENTIAL  
REDUCTION IN FUNDING ASSISTANCE  
THAT MAY BE CURTAILED IN THE  
NATIONAL BUDGET.

IT WILL ENSURE THE PROTECTION  
AND SAFETY OF THE RESIDENTS OF  
THE CITY OF BOSTON FOR IMPACTS  
OF GLOBAL CLIMATE CHANGE.

WE ARE WITNESSING THE  
DEVASTATING EFFECTS OF CLIMATE  
CHANGE.

I'M HAPPY TO ADDRESS THIS  
ANYWHERE ANY TIME.

BUT PAN MADE CLIMATE CHANGE HAS  
A DIRECT EFFECT ON THIS INCREASE  
IN MAJOR WEATHER EVENTS.

WE'VE BEEN VERY, VERY LUCKY  
DESPITE THE FACT THAT WE ARE  
INCREDIBLY SUSCEPTIBLE TO THE  
IMPACT OF CLIMATE CHANGE.

IT IS IMPERATIVE AS A CITY WITH  
RISING SEA LEVELS WE'RE READY  
FOR CHANGING WEATHERS, SEA  
LEVELS ROSE MORE THAN 9 INCHES  
RELATIVE TO LAND.

HOWEVER BY 2030 ANOTHER EIGHT

INCHES WILL RISE SO WE'RE  
TALKING ABOUT 100 YEARS GOING  
NINE INCHES AND THEN 30 YEARS  
GOING EIGHT.

BY 2050, SEA LEVELS MAY RISE ONE  
AND A HALF FEET HIGHER THAN  
2000.

MAY BE AS MUCH AS THREE FEET  
HIGHER THAN THEY WERE JUST 17  
YEARS AGO.

WE MUST TAKE A COMPREHENSIVE  
APPROACH IN PROTECTING BOSTON  
RESIDENTS FROM BEING  
DETRIMENTALLY AFFECTED, SUCH AS  
HURRICANES IRMA, HARVEY, SANDY  
AND CREERNT.

WE MUST IMPLEMENT A NUMBER OF  
INITIATIVES WE HAVE BEEN TALKING  
ABOUT ON THIS BODY FOR MANY,  
MANY MONTHS.

THERE IS A LACK OF LEADERSHIP  
AND OUTRIGHT HOSTILITY IN  
WASHINGTON HINDERING EFFORTS TO  
AFFECT CLIMATE CHANGE.

IN FACT THIS CURRENT FEDERAL  
ADMINISTRATION, THE TRUMP  
ADMINISTRATION HAS CUT \$660  
MILLION FROM FEMA'S BUDGET.  
IT'S UNCONSCIONABLE WHAT IS  
HAPPENING DOWN THERE AND NOW  
MORE THAN EVER IT IS UP TO  
CITIES AND TOWNS TO LEAD, I FEEL  
LIKE A BROKEN RECORD, THAT  
BECOMES MORE AND MORE TRUE  
UNFORTUNATELY WITH EVERY WEEK  
THAT PASSES.

THE PURPOSE OF THIS HEARING IS  
NOT TO HAVE AN INDICTMENT, ON  
THE MAYORAL ADMINISTRATION OR  
PRIOR MAYORAL ADMINISTRATION.  
WE THINK IT IS A TREMENDOUS  
POSTING A BIENNIAL OR ANNUAL  
MEETING, CHECKING IN WITH  
DEPARTMENTS, WHAT ARE OUR PLANS?  
I'M THOUGHT QUITE SURE WHERE  
THEY GO ONE SENDS ME TO DEDHAM  
ONE SENDS ME TO BROOKLINE.  
BEST IN THE WORLD IN THIS CITY  
WE NEED TO MAKE SURE THAT THEY  
HAVE THE RESOURCES WE NEED.  
WE HAVE TO MAKE SURE WE'RE ALL  
ON THE SAME PAGE GOING FORWARD.  
AGAIN I'M NOT LOOKING TO  
POLITICIZE WHAT WE'RE DOING IN

BOSTON AS IT RELATES TO  
PREPAREDNESS.

HOWEVER I DO THINK THIS BODY  
OUGHT TO LEAD ON THIS.

MAKE SURE WE HAVE CHECK-INS  
PERIODICALLY TO MAKE SURE WE'RE  
PREPARED.

UNFORTUNATELY, UNTIL THIS  
COUNTRY GETS ITS ACT TOGETHER  
RELATIVE TO CLIMATES CHANGE WE  
WILL SEE MORE HURRICANE IRMAS  
AND CHEAFER AND KATRINAS AND  
SANDIES AND SO FORTH.

>> PLEASE ADD COUNCILOR  
PRESSLEY, COUNCILOR LINEHAN,  
COUNCILOR ESSAIBI-GEORGE,  
COUNCILLOR CIOMMO, ADD THE CHAIR  
AND COUNCILOR JACKSON YOU HAVE  
THE CHAIR.

>> THANK YOU VERY MUCH.

I WANT TO APPLAUD COUNCILOR  
O'MALLEY'S CONSISTENT EFFORT IN  
SHOWING THAT OUR CITY IS HERE.  
AND IN GOOD WORKING CONDITION IN  
THE FUTURE AND HIS ADVOCACY FOR  
ENVIRONMENT.

I WOULD ALSO ADD, WE ALSO KNOW  
THAT EACH ONE OF THESE  
DISASTERS, THERE IS DATA THAT  
SAYS IT ACTUALLY INCHES UP  
POVERTY BY 1% NATIONALLY BY EACH  
ONE OF THESE DISASTERS.  
AND DISPROPORTIONATELY THOSE WHO  
ARE POOR ARE HURT.

ONE OF THE THINGS THAT I WOULD  
ASK COUNCILOR O'MALLEY TO LOOK  
AT THAT WE ARE NOT EFFECTIVELY  
LOOKING AT IN THE CITY OF  
BOSTON, WE JUST APPROVED FOLKS  
TO BE ON THE ZONING BOARD.  
WE KNOW THERE IS 36 INCHES OF  
WATER THAT IS GOING TO BE CLOSE  
TO THE SEA PORT AREA.

WHEN YOU STAND AT THE CONVENTION  
CENTER, YOU ARE WAY HIGHER THAN  
YOU ARE WHEN YOU ARE IN THE SEA  
PORT DISTRICT.

WE KNOW THAT THAT AREA IS GOING  
TO BE FLOODED.

IF WE DO NOTHING.

WE ALSO KNOW IN THE STATE OF  
CALIFORNIA, YOU CAN'T BUILD A  
BUILDING THAT IS NOT RESISTANT  
TO EARTHQUAKES.

AND SO IN THE CITY OF BOSTON, WE  
NEED TO REEVALUATE OUR ZONING  
CODE.

AND I KNOW WE HAVE A HUGE BOOM  
THAT'S OCCURRING RIGHT NOW.  
BUT IF WE KNOW THE WATER IS  
COMING, WHY IS THAT IT WE ARE  
DOING NOTHING TO UPGRADE THE  
ZONING CODE TO ENSURE THAT THE  
BUILDINGS HAVE THE  
INFRASTRUCTURE NEEDED TO ENSURE  
THAT THREE WILL BE THERE IN  
PERPETUITY?

THE OTHER COMPONENT IS WE KNOW  
THAT THIS IS PART OF OUR TAX  
BASE.

AND SO TO HAVE US STABILIZE THE  
TAX BASE WE NEED TO MAKE SURE  
THOSE BUILDINGS ARE PROTECTED. I  
WOULD ENCOURAGE IN THIS HEARING  
HOW WE ARE ABLE TO UPDATE AND  
UPGRADE OUR ZONING CODE SO IT'S  
RELEVANT FOR 2017 AND INTO THE  
FUTURE.

YES WE NEED PREPAREDNESS BUT OUR  
BODY NEEDS TO LOOK AT THE RULES  
AND REGULATIONS THAT WILL  
ACTUALLY GUIDE US INTO THE  
FUTURE SO WE ARE PREPARED.

PLEASE ADD MY NAME AND AGAIN  
KUDOS FOR YOUR STEADFAST EFFORT  
IN THIS SPACE.

>> THANK YOU COUNCILOR JACKSON.  
DOCKET NUMBER 1197 WILL BE  
ASSIGNED TO THE COMMITTEE ON  
ENVIRONMENTAL SUSTAINABILITY.

>> DOCKET NUMBER 1198 COUNCILORS  
PRESSLEY AND CAMPBELL OFFERED  
THE FOLLOWING: RESOLUTION URGING  
THE LEGISLATURE TO PASS H.742 AN  
ACT AMENDING VICTIM COMPENSATION  
STATUTE.

>> COUNCILOR PRESSLEY YOU HAVE  
THE FLOOR.

>> THANK YOU, MADAM PRESIDENT.  
LAST SATURDAY WE HELD OUR FIRST  
ANNUAL JUMP INTO PEACE EVENT IN  
MALCOLM X PARK IN ROXBURY.  
CELEBRATING GIRLS ORGANIZATION  
HE AND INCREDIBLE WORK PROMOTING  
HEALTH AND WELLNESS, SISTERHOOD,  
IT WAS A GLORIOUS DAY.  
THANK YOU, COUNCILOR CAMPBELL,  
COUNCILOR WU, NO ONE JUMPED THIS

YEAR BUT WE THANK YOU FOR BEING THERE.  
WHEN I ORIGINALLY CONCEPTUALIZED THIS EVENT, IT WAS TO GO TO SPACES THAT HAD BEEN BESIEGED BY VIOLENCE AND TO TRANSFORM THEM INTO PLACES OF HEALING AND TO INFORM JOY, TO INFORM JOY. AND WE DID DO THAT.  
200 PLUS PEOPLE CAME TO THE FOURTH ANNUAL EVENT.  
SADLY, DESPITE OUR BEST EFFORTS TO HOLD THAT SPACE AS A SPACE THAT WAS SAFE AND FILLED WITH JOY AND BUILDING PEACE AND COMMUNITY, THE NEXT DAY IT WAS MET BY GREAT VIOLENCE ONCE AGAIN.  
WE SAW SOME 15 SHOOTINGS, I THINK WITHIN A 36-HOUR OR TWO-DAY PERIOD.  
AND THAT SPACE IS NOT EXEMPT FROM THAT.  
I ALSO WANTED TO JUST THANK MAYOR.  
HE DIDN'T JUMP EITHER BUT I WANT TO THANK MAYOR FOR BEING THERE AS WELL, HE HAS ALWAYS SUPPORTED THE EVENT.  
I WANT TO THANK LUCY BROWN INSTITUTE, FIGHTING FOR DIGNITY FOR EVERYONE.  
THE PEACE INSTITUTE HAD REACHED OUT TO OUR OFFICE SPECIFICALLY WITH A STATE BILL AND I'M HONORED TO BE PART OF THEIR EFFORTS TO END CYCLES OF VIOLENCE AND AGAIN TO SUPPORT SURVIVING FAMILY MEMBERS WHO LOST LOVED ONES TO VIOLENCE TO GET ON A PATHWAY TO HEALING AND RECOVERY.  
FOR THOSE WHO DON'T KNOW THE VICTIM HEALING FUND, GOES TO RESTITUTION, AND SURVIVING FAMILY MEMBERS ARE THEN ABLE TO APPLY FOR FUNDS TO REIMBURSE THEIR LOVED ONCE FINAL CENSUS, HOWEVER BECAUSE OF A CLAUSE IN THE STATUTE, SURVIVING FAMILY CAN BE DENIED IF THE VICTIM CONTRIBUTED TO THEIR OWN DEATH.  
NOW, EVERY LOSS OF LIFE CAUSES A RIPPLE OF TRAUMA IN OUR

COMMUNITY AND THE INABILITY TO BURY A LOVED ONE PUNISHES A FAMILY FOR THEIR LOVED ONE'S MURDER, ENSURING EVERY FAMILY CAN SAY A FINAL GOOD-BYE OTHEIR LOVED ONE, HELPS BEGIN THE PROCESS OF HEALING AND IN TURN INTERRUPTS AND BREAKS CYCLES OF VIOLENCE.

I'M VERY PLEASED TO BE PARTNERED WITH MY GOOD FRIEND AND CO-SPONSOR OF THIS RESOLUTION WHO HAS MADE GREAT CONTRIBUTIONS TO THIS BODY THIS HER ROLE AS CHAIR OF PUBLIC SAFETY AND CRIMINAL JUSTICE, HOUSE BILL 742 ASK A MEMBER OF VICTIM COMPENSATION, THIS STATUTE IS SPONSORED BY STATE REP YVONNE I WOULD LIKE TO SUSPEND THE RULES AND ADOPT THE RESOLUTION.

THANK YOU.

>> THANK YOU COUNCILOR PRESSLEY.

>> THANK YOU COUNCILOR PRESSLEY FOR YOUR PARTNERSHIP ON THIS. THIS IS AS COUNCILOR PRESSLEY SAID, THIS IS A RESOLUTION IN SUPPORT OF HOUSE BILL 742, THE VICTIM COMPENSATION STATUTE. IT'S TIMELY, GIVEN THE AMOUNT OF VIOLENCE WE'VE SEEN IN THE CITY RECENTLY.

ALSO GIVEN THE FACT THE CITY OF BOSTON HAS STEPPED UP IN A MAJOR WAY.

WE'VE ASKED THE AMOUNT OF \$50,000 BE SET ASIDE IN THE BUDGETS FOR THIS VERY PURPOSE. THE MAYOR WAS ON BOARD AND ACTUALLY ABLE TO GET THAT DONE. THE STATE HAS NOT IN A LOT OF WAYS SAID SOMETHING.

SO THIS IS AN OPPORTUNITY FOR US TO SIGN ON TO THIS RESOLUTION, TO SUPPORT THIS PARTICULAR BILL BUT TO REALLY SAY TO THE STATE WE CAN'T KEEP MAKING UP FOR IS FUNDING THAT KEEPS GETTING CUT FROM THE STATE.

THIS IS A NEED THAT IS PREVALENCE AND NEEDED ACROSS THE ENTIRE CITY OF BOSTON, IT DOESN'T JUST APPLY TO DORCHESTER, MATTAPAN, EVERYBODY

WHO SURS FROM AN ACT OF VIOLENCE  
DESERVES RESOURCES TO HELP BURY  
THEIR LOVED ONE.

IN THE LEGISLATURE THIS IS THE  
TIME FOR US TO STAND UP AROUND  
STAND UP TOGETHER AND TO MAKE  
OUR VOICES HEARD.

LASTLY, I'LL SAY THE PEACE  
INSTITUTE HAS BEEN FOR DECADES  
PUSHING FOR THIS CHANGE, I  
APPLAUD REPRESENTATIVE CARVALLO  
FOR HIS WORK, BUT THE PEACE  
INSTITUTE DESERVES CREDIT FOR  
THE MOBILIZATION THEY HAVE  
CREATED OVER THE YEARS, NOT ONLY  
WHAT THEY DO IN TERMS OF THE  
PEACE WALK, BUT AT THE STATE  
LEVEL, FEDERAL LEVEL AND ACROSS  
THE COUNTRY TO REALLY GET FOLKS  
TO PAY ATTENTION TO THE TRAUMA  
THAT FOLKS IN THE COMMUNITY  
SUFFER EVERY SINGLE DAY WHEN  
THEY LOSE A LOVED ONE TO  
VIOLENCE.

COUNCILOR PRESSLEY THANK YOU FOR  
YOUR TEAM, MY STAFF, I HAVEN'T  
BEEN HERE WITH THE BABY BUT  
THEIR HARD WORK IN THIS REGARD  
AS WELL BUT I URGE ALL MY  
COLLEAGUES TO SIGN ON.

JUDGE COULD YOU PLEASE ADD  
COUNCILLOR ZAKIM'S NAME AND  
COUNCILLOR ZAKIM YOU HAVE THE  
FLOOR.

>> THANK YOU, MADAM PRESIDENT.  
I'LL BE BRIEF.

I WANT TO THANK THE CO-SPONSORS  
OF THIS IMPORTANT RESOLUTION AND  
JUST SAY I'VE HAD THE PLEASURE  
OF WORKING AND KNOWING TINA  
CHERRY AND THE LOUIS D. BROWN  
INSTITUTE, THEY HAVE BEEN A  
VOICE IN REDUCING THE VIOLENCE  
IN BOSTON, AND MAKING SURE THE  
SILENT VICTIMS, THE FAMILY,  
FRIENDS OF THOSE WHO HAVE BEEN  
KILLED IN THE CITY ARE LOOKED  
AFTER AND TAKEN CARE OF AND THIS  
LEGISLATION IS LONG OVERDUE.  
TO PUNISH SOMEONE BECAUSE OF THE  
POSSIBLE ACTION HE OF THEIR NOW  
DECEASED RELATIVE OR CHILD OR  
FRIEND IS IN MY MIND  
UNCONSCIONABLE AND SOMETHING

THAT REALLY FLIES IN THE FACE OF  
A LOT OF THE VALUES WE HOLD DEAR  
NOT ONLY IN THE CITY OF BOSTON  
BUT IN THE UNITED STATES OF  
AMERICA, EFFECTIVELY FINING  
SOMEONE FOR THE POSSIBILITY  
ACTIONS OF A DECEASED RELATIVE  
IS UNACCEPTABLE.

I'M GLAD THE REPRESENTATIVE HAS  
BROUGHT THIS FORWARD, THE  
LEGISLATURE WILL ACT FAVORABLY  
AND THE GOVERNOR WILL SIGN IT.  
THANK YOU AGAIN COUNCILOR  
CAMPBELL AND PRESSLEY, I'M PROUD  
TO ADD MY NAME.

>> CAN YOU PLEASE ADD COUNCILOR  
ESSAIBI-GEORGE, COUNCILOR  
O'MALLEY, COUNCILOR BAKER,  
COUNCILOR JACKSON.

YOU HAVE THE FLOOR.

>> I WANT TO THANK COUNCILOR  
PRESSLEY AND COUNCILOR CAMPBELL  
FOR THEIR WORK ON THIS.

THIS IS IMPORTANT AND I DON'T  
BELIEVE WE HAVE THE OPPORTUNITY,  
TO JUDGE A INDIVIDUAL.

THEIR ACTIONS OR WHETHER OR NOT  
WE SHOULD ESSENTIALLY VOTE IN  
THEIR FAMILY.

WE IN MY OFFICE HAVE DEALT WITH  
MANY FAMILIES WHO JUST SIMPLY  
COULDN'T PAY TO BURY THEIR LOVED  
ONES.

AND IT IS HARD BREAKING TO SEE.  
AND I THINK IT'S SO IMPORTANT  
THAT WE STEP FORWARD.

AND I THINK THIS IS ABOUT  
COMMUNITY.

WE LOSE A LITTLE BIT OF OUR  
COMMUNITY AND OUR CITY WITH THE  
LOSS AND DEATH OF EACH PERSON  
WHO PASSES AWAY.

THIS PAST LAST TUESDAY, I WAS AT  
THE HOME OF ACTUALLY AN  
INDIVIDUAL WHO TURNED OUT TO BE  
A DISTANT RELATIVE.

IN THE CABE VERDEN COMMUNITY.  
A INDIVIDUAL WHO WAS SHOT AT  
10:45 IN THE MORNING GETTING HIS  
HAIRCUT.

THE NEXT DAY IN FRONT OF HIS  
GRANDMOTHER'S HOUSE WHILE PEOPLE  
WERE GRIEVING, A SHOOTER CAME UP  
AND SHOT SOMEONE IN FRONT OF

EVERYBODY.

WE HAVE A CRISIS IN OUR CITY AND I DON'T THINK WE SHOULD COMPOUND THAT CRISIS OF DEALING WITH THE FINANCIAL BURDEN OF BURYING A LOVED ONE.

IT IS SO CRITICAL AND THIS IS WHERE GOVERNMENT'S IMPORTANT. WE HAVE PEOPLE ATTACKING GOVERNMENT ALL OVER THE COUNTRY. THIS IS WHAT ACTUALLY GOVERNMENT IS SUPPOSED TO DO, TO STEP IN WHEN FOLKS ARE HURTING AND WHEN THEY NEED HELP AND THIS IS PATH TO DEALING WITH THE TRAUMA OF LOSING YOUR LOVED ONE.

SO I'M PROUD TO ADD MY SUPPORT. THIS SHOULD HAVE BEEN DONE A LONG TIME AGO.

AND BY THE WAY, MY LAST PIECE WILL BE, WHO ARE WE TO JUDGE? THANK YOU, MADAM PRESIDENT. PLEASE ADD MY NAME.

>> THANK YOU MADAM CLERK PLEASE ADD COUNCILOR JACKSON, COUNCILOR LAMATTINA, COUNCILOR MCCARTHY, COUNCILOR O'MALLEY, THE CHAIR'S NAME, COUNCILOR FLAHERTY, AT THIS TIME COUNCILOR PRESSLEY AND COUNCILOR CAMPBELL MOVE FOR SUSPENSION OF THE RULES AND ADOPTION.

THE AYES HAVE IT AND DOCKET 1198 HAS BEEN ADOPTED.

>> DOCKET NUMBER 1199 COUNCILOR WU OFFERED THE FOLLOWING: RESOLUTION SUPPORTING H.R. 2358 CHINESE AMERICAN WWII VETERANS GOLD MEDAL ACT.

>> CHAIR RECOGNIZES COUNCILOR WU.

>> THANK YOU MR. VICE PRESIDENT. TODAY I RISE TO ASK THIS BODY TO JOIN IN A NATIONWIDE EFFORT TO RECOGNIZE CHINESE AMERICAN VETERANS OF WORLD WAR II, THERE IS A BILL BEFORE THE BE -- IN CONGRESS SPONSORED BY REPRESENTATIVE ED JOYCE AND TED WOO ON THE HOUSE SIDE AND REPRESENTATIVE TAMMY DUCKWORTH ON THE HOUSE SIDE.

CONGRESSIONAL GOLD MEDAL, WE REALLY WANT IN TIME FOR 2018 THE

75th ANNIVERSARY OF THE REPEAL  
OF THE CHINESE EXCLUSION ACT, TO  
MAKE SURE THESE CHINESE  
AMERICANS RECEIVE RECOGNITION  
FOR THEIR ACT.

WHEN THEY WERE STILL FACING  
ABLATE ANT RACIAL DISCRIMINATION  
WITH THE CHOIRNZ EXCLUSION ACT.

CHINESE EXCLUSION ACT.  
THE NUMBER BECAUSE OF THAT  
DETRIMENTARY LEGISLATION, OF  
THAT 120,000, 20,000 ACTUALLY  
STEPPED UP AND SERVED IN WORLD  
WAR II.

OF THOSE 20,000 40% WERE NOT  
CITIZENS, THEY WERE PREVENTED  
FROM BECOMING CITIZENS UNTIL  
LEGISLATION DURING THE WAR.

OUT OF THESE THEIR SERVICE WAS  
SPREAD ACROSS THE AIR FORCE AND  
OTHER BRANCHES.

AGAIN, WE ARE GRATEFUL EVERY DAY  
FOR THE SERVICE OF ALL OF OUR  
VETERANS, OUR MEN AND WOMEN WHO  
HAVE GIVEN THE ULTIMATE  
SACRIFICE AND WHO HAVE GIVEN SO  
MUCH TO DEFEND OUR LIBERTY.

THIS IS TIME FOR US TO ADD  
ANOTHER GROUP TO RECEIVE THIS  
RECOGNITION FOR WHAT THEY DID,  
WHICH WAS VERY DIFFICULT BACK  
THEN.

AND PART OF OUR CONTINUED STRIFE  
STRIVETO BE A MORE INCLUSIVE COUNTRY.

I WOULD LIKE TO MOVE TO SUSPEND  
THE RULES.

>> WOULD YOU PLEASE ADD  
COUNCILOR CAMPBELL, COUNCILOR COUNCILOR  
O'MALLEY, COUNCILOR JACKSON,  
COUNCILOR LAMATTINA, COUNCILOR  
LINEHAN, COUNCILLOR McCARTHY,  
COUNCILOR O'MALLEY.

CHAIR RECOGNIZES COUNCILOR  
PRESSLEY.

>> RISE TO THANK YOU FOR HISTORY  
LESSON FOR OPPORTUNITY FOR US TO  
BE ON THE RIGHT SIDE OF HISTORY  
AND RIGHTING THE WRONGS OF  
HISTORY.

WE FACE THEM FOR THEIR BRAVERY  
HEROISM SACRIFICE FOR MANY  
CONTRIBUTIONS.

FREEDOM ISN'T FREE.

WE CAN DO WHAT WE DO WHAT WE DO AND

REPRESENT THEM IN THIS WAY  
BECAUSE OF THEIR CONTRIBUTIONS.  
IN THE SAME WAY, THERE HAVE BEEN  
EFFORTS MADE TO MAKE WHOLE  
AFRICAN-AMERICAN VETERANS AND  
PUERTO RICAN VETERANS.

THANK YOU FOR BRIG THIS FORWARD.

>> PLEASE ADD COUNCILLOR  
PRESSLEY AND THE CHAIR.

>> THANK YOU, MADAM CLERK.  
COUNCILLOR JACKSON.

>> THANK YOU SO MUCH.

I JUST WANTED TO GIVE KUDOS TO  
COUNCIL PRESIDENT WU.

I'M A HISTORY MAJOR.

I DUD NOT KNOW A SIXTH OF THE  
CHINESE POPULATION SERVED IN THE  
WAR, A VERY, VERY BLOODY WAR IN  
OUR COUNTRY'S HISTORY, AND IT IS  
CRITICAL THAT WE ADMIT OUR WRONG  
AND THAT, IN OUR TIME, THAT WE  
STEP FORWARD TO GIVE HONOR TO  
THE MEN AND WOMEN WHO'VE STEPPED  
FORWARD SO WE CAN SIT HERE,  
BECAUSE NONE OF US SIT HERE  
WITHOUT THE HONORABLE SERVICE OF  
THESE CHINESE SOLDIERS BUT ALSO  
FOLKS WHO AREN'T EVEN CITIZENS  
WHO FOUGHT FOR OUR COUNTRY, WHO  
DIED FOR OUR COUNTRY AND WHO  
STOOD UP FOR US, I WANT TO THANK  
YOU SO MUCH FOR BRINGING THIS  
FORWARD.

IT IS SO CRITICAL THAT WE  
ACKNOWLEDGE WHAT WE'VE DONE, AND  
WE FIX IT.

PLEASE ADD MY NAME -- ACTUALLY,  
MY NAME IS ALREADY ADDED.

>> THANK YOU, COUNCILLOR  
JACKSON.

COUNCILLOR WU WOULD LIKE TO  
SUSPEND THE RULES AND ADOPT.  
AT THIS TIME WE'LL TAKE A VOTE  
ON DOCKET 1199.

(VOTING)

DOCKET 1199 WILL BE ADOPTED.

>> DOCKET 1200, COUNCILLOR WU  
OFFERED THE FOLLOWING ORDINANCE  
REGARDING THE RIGHT TO CHARGE.

>> CHAIR RECOGNIZES COUNCILLOR  
WU.

>> THANK YOU AGAIN,

MR. VICE PRESIDENT.

IN 2013, THE COMMONWEALTH OF

MASSACHUSETTS COMMITTED TO  
HAVING 200,000 ZERO EMISSION  
VEHICLES ON THE ROAD BY 2025.  
AS OF OCTOBER LAST YEAR WE ONLY  
HAD 2,000.

I'M A LITTLE CONFLICTED STANDING  
UP HERE ADVOCATING FOR CARS  
BECAUSE YOU KNOW I HAVE MY  
BICYCLE AND PARKING SPOT IN THE  
GARAGE AND CONSTANTLY RAISING  
THE AWARENESS OF WE NEED OTHER  
MODES OF TRANSPORTATION.

BUT FOLLOWING COUNCILLOR  
O'MALLEY'S IMPORTANT HEARING  
ORDER TODAY WE NEED TO DO EVERY  
SINGLE THING THE CITY CAN DO TO  
GET US TO THE POINT WHERE WE'RE  
ADAPTED AND READY FOR THESE  
EXTREME WEATHER EVENTS BUT TO DO  
OUR PART TO LESSEN THE CHANCE  
THEY'LL HAPPEN.

THERE IS STILL TIME TO DO THAT.  
WE'RE SEEING DEVASTATING IMPACTS  
OF SUPERSTORMS, CLIMATE CHANGE.  
THE WESTERN PART OF THE UNITED  
STATES IS RAVAGED BY WILDFIRES  
BECAUSE OF HOW DRY IT'S BEEN  
BECAUSE OF TEMPERATURES.

30% OF GREENHOUSE GAS EMISSIONS  
CONTRIBUTING TO CLIMATE CHANGE  
ACROSS THE UNITED STATES ARE  
FROM THE TRANSPORTATION SECTOR.  
60% OF THOSE ARE FROM PASSENGER  
VEHICLES OR FUEL OR CARS.

ELECTRIC VEHICLES ARE ONE WAY  
THAT WE CAN REDUCE THOSE  
EMISSIONS SIGNIFICANTLY.  
SECTOR VEHICLES PRODUCE LESS  
THAN HALF OF THE GREENHOUSE GAS  
EMISSIONS TRADITIONAL FUEL CARS  
DO AND THAT'S ACROSS THE AVERAGE  
OF ALL STATES INCLUDING MANY  
SOLAR-POWERED AND COAL POWERED  
STATES.

THE CLEANER WE MAKE OUR UTILITY  
GRID, THE GREENER OUR ELECTRIC  
VEHICLES WILL BE AS WELL, THAT'S  
WHY OUR COMMUNITY CHOICE! ENERGY  
PUSH IS IMPORTANT.

AGAIN, THIS IS A TECHNOLOGY  
THAT'S CHANGING QUICKLY.  
THE ELECTRIC VEHICLE MARKET HAS  
BEEN THOUGHT OF AS A VERY SORT  
OF LUXURY ITEM AND, YOU KNOW,

THEY'RE VERY, VERY EXPENSIVE,  
BUT AS SCIENTISTS AND BUSINESSES  
PROGRESS, WE'RE SEEING PRICES  
COME DOWN AND ACCORDING TO THE  
RECENT PROJECTION THE ELECTRIC  
VEHICLES ARE LIKELY TO BECOME  
COST COMPETITIVE IN THE NEXT  
COUPLE OF YEARS.

HOWEVER, AS WE'RE ENCOURAGING  
RESIDENTS THINKING ABOUT GETTING  
RID OF THEIR FUEL-POWERED CAR  
AND MOVING TO AN ELECTRIC  
VEHICLE, WE NEED TO THINK ABOUT  
HOW THEY WILL CHARGE THE VEHICLE  
ACROSS THE CITY.

WE CAN'T ENCOURAGE THE PEOPLE TO  
BUY THE CARS WITHOUT GIVING THEM  
A WAY TO DRIVE ACROSS THE CITY  
WHERE THERE IS NO WAY TO CHARGE.  
WE'RE STUCK IN THE CHICKEN AND  
EGG CYCLE WHERE THE CITY IS  
HESITANT TO INSTALL THE CHARGING  
STATIONS WITH NO DEMAND.

ONE THING WE CAN DO AS A  
COUNCILLOR IS MAKE SURE THAT  
RESIDENTS WHO WANT TO CHARGE AT  
THEIR HOMES HAS THE RIGHT TO DO  
SO.

BOSTON HAS A LOT OF CONDOS, MANY  
MULTIFAMILY HOMES CONVERTED TO  
TWO-CONDO, THREE-CONDO  
BUILDINGS, AND THE CONDO  
LOCATION DOCUMENTS CAN OFTEN BE  
VERY STRICT.

YOU NEED TO SIGN OFF EVERY  
SINGLE UNIT TO MAKE ANY SINGLE  
CHANGE IN THE PROPERTY.

WHILE WE DON'T WANT TO, YOU  
KNOW, TAKE AWAY A PROPERTY  
OWNER'S RIGHT TO AFFECT WHAT'S  
HAPPENING, WE WANT TO MAKE SURE  
THAT THEY CAN HAVE A REASONABLE  
SAY BUT NOT PREVENT SOMEONE ELSE  
WHO LIVES THERE FROM PAYING FOR  
IT, MAINTAINING, INSTALLING AND  
HAVING THAT CHARGING STATION FOR  
AN ELECTRIC VEHICLE.

WE'LL GET INTO A LOT OF THE  
DETAILS IN THE LEGISLATIVE  
PROCESS.

I KNOW THERE WILL BE LOTS OF  
CONVERSATIONS.

ESSENTIALLY WE'RE TRYING TO  
CODIFY THE TRYING TO FOR ANYONE

WHO WANTS THE TO INSTALL A CHARGING STATION FOR AN ELECTRIC VEHICLE AT THEIR HOME TO DO SO, DESPITE ANY CONDOS AND OTHER SIGNOFFS, AND THEN DO OUR PART IN TRYING TO MAKE THE INFRASTRUCTURE PIECE EASIER. FINALLY, YOU KNOW, AGAIN, WE ARE ALL FULLY COMMITTED TO VISION ZERO AND SAFE STREETS AND MAKING OTHER MODES OF TRANSPORTATION FOR ATTRACTIVE, AFFORDABLE AND COMFORTABLE.

THIS IS ANOTHER STEP THAT WE NEED TO TAKE AS SOON AS POSSIBLE TO FIGHT CLIMATE CHANGE.

SO THANK YOU EVERYONE WHO HAVE BEEN PART OF THIS ENTIRE PROCESS OF DISCUSSING AND PASSING THE ORDINANCE.

>> THANK YOU, COUNCILLOR WU. MADAM CLERK, WOULD YOU PLEASE SIGN ON COUNCILLOR CAMPBELL, COUNCILLOR CIOMMO, COUNCILLOR GEORGE, COUNCILLOR FLAHERTY COUNCILLOR JACKSON, COUNCILLOR LaMATTINA, COUNCILLOR LINEHAN, COUNCILLOR McCARTHY, COUNCILLOR O'MALLEY, COUNCILLOR PRESSLEY AND COUNCILLOR ZAKIM AND PLEASE ADD THE CHAIR, ALSO. THIS ITEM 1200 WILL BE PLACED IN GOVERNMENT OPERATIONS.

THANK YOU.

>> DOCKET 1201, COUNCILLOR JACKSON OFFERED THE FOLLOWING RESOLUTION OPPOSING THE FEDERAL GOVERNMENT'S DECISION TO END THE DEFERRED ACTION FOR CHILDHOOD ARRIVALS KNOWN AS DACA PROGRAM.

>> COUNCILLOR JACKSON HAS THE FLOOR.

>> THANK YOU VERY MUCH, MADAM PRESIDENT.

IT SEEMS AS IF ALMOST EVERY MEETING WE ARE DEFENDING OUR CITY, OUR STATE AGAINST WHAT IS GOING ON IN WASHINGTON, D.C., AND THIS IS A BRUTAL ATTACK ON YOUNG PEOPLE AND YOUNG PEOPLE WHO FOLLOWED THE RULES, WHO STEPPED FORWARD AND DID WHAT THEY WERE ASKED TO DO, IDENTIFIED THEMSELVES IN THE

DACA PROGRAM.

THIS PROGRAM AFFECTS 7934 YOUNG PEOPLE WHO LIVE IN MASSACHUSETTS AND ABOUT 6,300 OF THEM LIVE IN BOSTON.

IT IS CRITICAL THAT WE SEND A MESSAGE THAT WE ARE STANDING UP FOR THE YOUNG PEOPLEPEOPLE IN THE BOSTON PUBLIC SCHOOLS.

IT IS OVER 139 COUNTRIES AND NEARLY ONE IN TWO STUDENTS SPEAK THE LANGUAGE OTHER THAN ENGLISH. THIS NEEDS TO BE LOOKED AT AS OUR STRENGTH AND NOT A WEAKNESS AND, AS THE CITY OF BOSTON, THE HOME OF DEMOCRACY AND THE STATES THAT WE ACTUALLY SIT IN TODAY, IT IS IMPORTANT THAT WE DECLARE TO THE TRUMP ADMINISTRATION THAT WE BELIEVE THAT DACA SHOULD STAY AND THAT THE YOUNG PEOPLE WHO ARE COVERED BY THIS PROGRAM SHOULD BE DEFENDED, THAT WE HAVE THEIR BACK AND THAT THE CITY OF BOSTON EMPHATICALLY BELIEVES THAT THE EXTENSION OF THIS PROGRAM IS THE RIGHT THING TO DO.

MADAM PRESIDENT, I WOULD ASK THAT WE SUSPEND AND ADOPT TODAY, IT IS A CRITICAL TIME, AND WE MUST LEAD AND NOT FOLLOW IN THIS SPACE.

WE MUST BE AN INDICATOR TO THE WORLD ABOUT WHO AND WHAT WE ARE IN OUR CITY, AND I LOOK FORWARD TO SUSPENSION ADOPTION.

THANK YOU SO MUCH.

>> THANK YOU COUNCILLOR JACKSON. COUNCILLOR LaMATTINA, EVE THE YOU HAVE THE FLOOR.

>> THANK YOU, MADAM PRESIDENT. I RISE AND COMMEND THE MAKER AND ASK MY NAME BE ADDED. THIS IS REALLY REALLY IMPORTANT, PARTICULARLY FOR THESE YOUNG KIDS WHO CAME TO OUR COUNTRY AT AN EARLY AGE.

MY DISTRICT PARTICULARLY, I KNOW A LOT OF THESE KIDS.

IT'S REALLY SAD THEY HAVE TO LIVE IN FEAR OF BEING DEPORTED. LAST WEEK, ON TUESDAY AFTER THE ANNOUNCEMENT I POSTED ON

Facebook THIS IS A SAD DAY FOR THE UNITED STATES.  
I HAVE TO BE HONEST WITH YOU, I WAS REALLY DISAPPOINTED IN A LOT OF PEOPLE IN MY DISTRICT THAT HAD SOME NEGATIVE COMMENTS. PEOPLE FORGET, YOU KNOW, MY GRANDPARENTS CAME HERE IN THE EARLY 1900s AS ITALIAN IMMIGRANTS. THEY CAME TO BOSTON BUT THERE WAS NO WORK FOR THEM. THEY HAD A HARD TIME GETTING A JOB. MY GRANDFATHER AND GRANDMOTHER MOVED TO REDDING, PENNSYLVANIA AND WORKED IN THE COAL MINES. I KNOW THESE KIDS, THEY WORKED IN MY OFFICE. THESE ARE GOOD KIDS. I CAN'T IMAGINE DEPORTING THEM BACK TO EL SALVADOR OR WHEREVER THEIR FAMILY ESCAPED. IF THEY CAME HERE UNDOCUMENTED, GOOD FOR THEIR FAMILIES TO TRY TO MAKE A BETTER LIFE FOR THEM. SO I THINK IT'S VERY IMPORTANT AS THE CITY COUNCILLORS, REPRESENTATIVES OF THE CITY OF BOSTON THAT WE STICK UP FOR THEM AND I COMMEND THE MAYOR FOR HIS COMMENTS LATELY IN REGARD TO THIS PROGRAM. THANK YOU. >> THANK YOU, COUNCILLOR LaMATTINA. MADAM CLERK, COULD YOU PLEASE ADD COUNCILLOR LaMATTINA'S NAME. PLEASE ADD COUNCILLOR LINEHAN, COUNCILLOR McCARTHY, COUNCILLOR O'MALLEY, COUNCILLOR PRESSLEY, COUNCILLOR ZAKIM, COUNCILLOR FLAHERTY, COUNCILLOR ESSAIBI-GEORGE, COUNCILLOR CIOMMO, COUNCILLOR BAKER, ADD THE CHAIR'S NAME AND COUNCILLOR ESSAIBI-GEORGE, YOU HAVE THE FLOOR. >> THANK YOU, MADAM PRESIDENT AND THANK YOU TO THE SPONSOR OF THIS, COUNCILLOR JACKSON. I WOULD LIKE TO HAVE MY NAME ADDED AND JUST REALLY SPEAK TO I

THINK AND HAD ON TO WHAT  
COUNCILLOR LaMATTINA MENTIONED  
AS A TEACHER IN EAST BOSTON, AND  
AS A TEACHER WE OFTEN WANT TO  
TEACH OUR KIDS THE CONTENT OF  
THE ACADEMIC KNOWLEDGE THEY NEED  
BUT WE ALSO WANT TO GIVE KIDS  
THE OPPORTUNITY TO DREAM.  
AND WHEN I'VE HAD STUDENTS  
BEFORE ME THAT HAD UNKNOWN  
IMMIGRATION STATUS, OFTENTIMES,  
ESPECIALLY AT THE HIGH SCHOOL  
LEVEL, KIDS DIDN'T REALIZE OR  
COME TO ONE OF THE IMMIGRATION  
STATUS UNTIL THEY WERE APPLYING  
FOR COLLEGE.

AND WHAT A DEVASTATING MOMENT IT  
IS FOR SO MANY OF THOSE KIDS TO  
DISCOVER, TO HAVE IT REVEALED TO  
THEM THAT OFTENTIMES THE DO YOU  
--OFTENTIMES THE GUIDANCE  
COUNCILLOR OR COLLEGE ADMISSIONS  
OFFICER, WHEN DACA CAME ABOUT WE  
GAVE KIDS THE OPPORTUNITY TO BE  
SAFE.

HOW MUCH EASIER IS IT FOR KIDS  
TO LEARN AND SUCCEED IN THEIR  
ACADEMICS AND TO DREAM.  
THAT'S WHY WE CALL THEM DREAMERS  
BECAUSE WE HAVE GIVEN THEM AN  
OPPORTUNITY TO DREAM AND DREAM  
ABOUT THE AMERICAN DREAM SOME OF  
US HAVE BEEN ABLE TO EXPERIENCE.  
SO I LOOK FORWARD TO THIS AND  
THE PASSAGE TODAY.

I THANK COUNCILLOR JACKSON FOR  
BRINGING THIS FORWARD.

>> THANK YOU, ESSAIBI-GEORGE.  
COUNCILLOR JACKSON MOVES FOR  
SUSPENSION OF THE RULES AND  
ATOPPINGS OF DOCKET 1201.

(VOTING)

DREERMS

MADAM CLERK, PLEASE CALL THE  
ROLL ON DOCKET 1201.

>> COUNCILLOR BAKER, YES.  
COUNCILLOR CAMPBELL, YES  
COUNCILLOR CIOMMO, YES.  
COUNCILLOR ESSAIBI-GEORGE, YES.  
COUNCILLOR FLAHERTY, YES.  
COUNCILLOR JACKSON, YES.  
COUNCILLOR LaMATTINA, YES.  
COUNCILLOR LINEHAN, YES.  
COUNCILLOR McCARTHY, YES.

COUNCILLOR O'MALLEY, YES.  
COUNCILLOR PRESSLEY, YES.  
COUNCILLOR WU, YES.  
COUNCILLOR ZAKIM, YES.  
MADAM PRESIDENT, DOCKET NUMBER  
1201 RECEIVED UNANIMOUS VOTE.  
>> THANK YOU MADAM CLERK.  
DOCKET 1201 HAS BEEN ADOPTED  
UNANIMOUSLY.  
PERSONNEL ORDERS.  
>> DOCKET 1202, COUNCILLOR WU --  
CHAIR MOVES FOR SUSPENSION  
AND PAGEANTS OF 1202.  
(VOTING)  
DOCKET 1202 HAS BEEN PASSED.  
>> DOCKET 1203, COUNCILLOR WU  
FOR COUNCILLOR O'MALLEY --  
>> COUNCILLOR O'MALLEY MOVES FOR  
SUSPENSION AND PASSAGE OF DOCKET  
1203.  
(VOTING)  
THE AYES HAVE IT.  
1203 HAS BEEN PASSED.  
>> DOCKET 1204, COUNCILLOR WU  
FOR COUNCILLOR LaMATTINA.  
>> COUNCILLOR WU MOSTLY FOR  
SUSPENSION AND PASSAGE OF DOCKET  
1204.  
(VOTING)  
, DOCKET 1204 PASSED.  
>> 1205, COUNCILLOR WU FOR  
COUNCILLOR ESSAIBI-GEORGE.  
>> COUNCILLOR ESSAIBI-GEORGE  
MOVES FOR SUSPENSION AND PASSAGE  
OF 1205.  
(VOTING)  
1205 PASSED.  
>> DOCKET 1206, COUNCILLOR WU  
FOR COUNCILLOR ESSAIBI-GEORGE.  
>> COUNCILLOR ESSAIBI-GEORGE  
MOVES FOR SUSPENSION AND PASSAGE  
OF DOCKET 1206.  
(VOTING)  
DOCKET 1206 HAS BEEN PASSED.  
>> DOCKET 1207, COUNCILLOR WU  
FOR COUNCILLOR CAMPBELL.  
>> COUNCILLOR CAMPBELL MOVES FOR  
SUSPENSION AND PASSAGE OF DOCKET  
1207.  
(VOTING)  
THE AYES HAVE IT.  
DOCKET 1207 HAS BEEN PASSED.  
THERE IS ONE LATE FILE MATTER IN  
THE HANDS OF THE CLERK WHICH IN

THE ABSENCE OF OBJECTION WILL BE  
ADDED TO THE AGENDA.  
HEARING NO OBJECTION, ADDED.  
MADAM CLERK PLEASE READ THE  
ADDITION.

>> TO THE CITY COUNCIL.

DEAR COUNCILLORS, I HEREBY  
TRANSMIT FOR YOUR APPROVAL AN  
ORDER AUTHORIZING THE CITY OF  
BOSTON TO ACCEPT AND EXTEND THE  
AMOUNT OF \$70,000 IN THE FORM OF  
A GRANT FOR C.E.O. LUNCHEON TO  
BE ADMINISTERED BY THE OFFICE OF  
IMMIGRANT ADVANCEMENT.  
THE GRANT WILL FUND A GATHERING  
OF C.E.O.s AND INDUSTRY  
EXPERTS TO RECOGNIZE IMMIGRANT  
ADVANCEMENT, ADDRESS CURRENT  
ISSUES AND TURN IMMIGRANT  
CHALLENGES INTO NEW  
OPPORTUNITIES.

PROCEEDS WILL SUPPORT PROGRAM  
SERVICES.

I URGE YOUR HONORABLE BODY TO  
ADOPT THE ORDER OF THE CITY OF  
BOSTON AND ACCEPT THE FUNDS  
JUDICIALLY AND EXPEND THEM UPON  
AWARD FOR THE PURPOSES FOR WHICH  
THEY WERE GRANTED.

SINCERELY, MARTIN J. WALSH,  
MAYOR OF BOSTON.

>> CHAIR RECOGNIZES CHAIR OF  
CHITTON HEALTHY WOMEN, FAMILIES  
AND COMMUNITIES, COUNCILLOR  
PRESSLEY.

>> -- THIS MATTER AS THESE FUNDS  
ARE URGENTLY NEEDED.

THANK YOU.

>> THANK YOU COUNCILLOR  
PRESSLEY.

COUNCILLOR PRESSLEY MOVES FOR  
SUSPENSION AND PASSAGE OF FIRST  
LATE FILE.

(VOTING)

THE AYES HAVE IT.

LATE FILE MATTER HAS BEEN  
PASSED.

WE HAVE TEN LATE FILE MATTERS ON  
THE CONSENT AGENDA ADDED ABSENT  
OBJECTION.

(VOTING)

AYES HAVE IT.

THE CONSENT AGENDA IS ADOPTED.

WOULD ANYONE LIKE TO PULL A

DOCKET FROM THE GREEN SHEETS?  
HEARING NONE.

WE'LL PAUSE FOR STATEMENTS OR  
ANNOUNCEMENTS TO THE GROUP.

>> I'D LIKE TO JUMP IN WITH A  
FEW.

FIRST, I WANT TO MAKE SURE WE  
HIGHLY CONGRATULATE COUNCILLOR  
CAMPBELL ON --

(APPLAUSE)

THAT'S A FEW WEEKS AGO.

WE WELCOME ANOTHER BACK TO THE  
CITY COUNCIL.

ATES DAY FOR CELEBRATION.

IT'S COUNCILLOR LaMATTINA'S  
30th WEDDING ANNIVERSARY.

(APPLAUSE)

AND THEN JUST A FEW COMMENTS ON  
THE RENOVATION, THE  
ACCESSIBILITY PROJECT.

SO THE TEAM THAT HAS BEEN  
WORKING ON IT HAS BEEN AMAZING.

IF YOU PEAKED IN, YOU CAN SEE  
THAT THE FLOOR HAS BEEN LIFTED  
AND THE CONSTRUCTION PIECES ARE  
THERE.

WE HAVE JUST BEEN DELAYED A  
LITTLE BECAUSE OF SOME OF THE  
PARTS ORDERED, SOME HAVEN'T COME  
IN YET.

SO NEXT WEEK'S MEETING, THE HALL  
IS BUSY THIS WEEK AND THE WEEK  
AFTER THAT.

OUR OFFICIAL MEETING WILL BE  
TUESDAY SEPTEMBER 19 INSTEAD OF  
WEDNESDAY, WHEN THE STATE IS  
AVAILABLE.

THAT MEANS THE FILING DEADLINE  
IS MOVED TO FRIDAY AT 10:00 A.M.  
INSTEAD OF MONDAY FOR THE 48  
HOUR NOTICE.

FINALLY, I WOULD LIKE TO INVITE  
COUNCILLOR PRESSLEY UP.

WE HAVE A FEW SPECIAL WORDS  
BEFORE WE CLOSE OUT THE MEETING.

>> THANK YOU, MADAM PRESIDENT.

I WILL MAKE THIS VERY BRIEF  
BECAUSE I WANT THIS VERY SPECIAL  
YOUNG WOMAN TO HAVE THE FLOOR  
LONGER.

I WANT TO INVITE A MEMBER OF OUR  
COUNCIL FAMILY, A CHELSEA  
CARTWRIGHT, ERMSSON ALUM,  
DIRECTOR OF SERVICES AND LIAISON

IN MY OFFICE AND ALSO A HOUSTON  
NATIVE.

>> GOOD AFTERNOON, EVERYONE.  
THANK YOU TO MADAM PRESIDENT, MY  
BOSS COUNCILLOR PRESSLEY AND ALL  
MEMBERS OF THE COUNCIL FOR  
EXTENDING THE INVITATION FOR ME  
TO SAY A FEW WORDS TODAY.

IN MY NINE YEARS OF A TRANSPLANT  
IN THE CITY OF BOSTON, I FOUND  
THE CITY AT ITS BEST THROUGH  
MANY TROUBLING TIMES, FROM  
SURVIVING MY FIRST SNOWSTORM ON  
THE CAMPUS OF EMERSON COLLEGE TO  
THE PAIN OF MARATHON DAY 2013,  
IT HAS MADE AN INDELIBLE MARK ON  
WHAT IT MEANS TO BE RESILIENT IN  
CHALLENGING TIMES.

HOUSTON IS MY HOME AND HOLDS A  
SPECIAL PLACE IN MY HEART.  
I TAKE GREAT PRIDE IN BEING FROM  
THE BAYOU CITY.

BOSTON HAS A LONG HISTORY OF  
HELPING OTHER CITIES IN THE WAKE  
OF CATASTROPHE.

OUR SUPPORT WAS UNPARALLELED FOR  
HOUSTON.

TRACTOR-TRAILERS WITH PROVISIONS  
AND SUPPLIES ARE DES DIDN'T  
TINNED FOR THOSE WHO NEED IT  
MOST.

BOSTON INSPIRED ALL OF THOSE IN  
HOUSTON TO HELP FOR AND BRING  
OUT THE BEST SHOWCASING IN  
HOUSTON.

>> THIS WAS HOUSTON CONCERT ON  
THE PLAZA, AND OUR CITY SHOWED  
UP.

OUR CITY CHEERED ON B.B.D.  
THIS IS WHAT BOSTON STRONG  
EXEMPLIFIES, OUR CITY COMING  
TOGETHER IN TIME OF NEED TO  
SUPPORT OTHERS IN TIME OF SORRY.  
AS MY FAMILY CONTINUES TO  
RECOVER IN THE AFTERMATH OF  
HURRICANE HARVEY, EACH DAY I'M  
GRATEFUL FOR GOD'S HEDGE OF  
PROTECTION FOR KEEPING MY FAMILY  
MEMBERS, FRIENDS AND LOVED ONES  
SAFE AND FREE FROM DANGER.  
I'M GRACIOUS FOR GOD'S COMFORT  
IN THE MIDST OF THE STORM.  
ALTHOUGH THE HOUSTON I CHERISH  
MOST IS SAFE, OTHERS IN

PORT ARTHUR, BEAUMONT, COASTAL  
SOUTHWEST LOUISIANA, PUERTO  
RICO, THE CARIBBEAN ISLANDS,  
THOMAS, ST. MARTIN AND MUCH OF  
THE ISLANDS IN COASTAL HAITI,  
THE SOUTHWEST FLORIDA KEYS ARE  
LESS FORTUNATE.

MY PRAYER TODAY IS STRENGTH FOR  
ALL FAMILIES, FRIENDS AND LOVED  
ONES THAT HAVE BEEN AFFECTED BY  
AN OUTRAGEOUS AND IMPLAUSIBLE  
HURRICANE SEASON.

ALTHOUGH HURRICANE HARVEY AND  
IRMA HAVE RAVAGED SO MANY SMALL  
CITIES, TOWNS, VILLAGES AND  
COMMUNITIES IN THEIR WAKE, I  
TRUST IN THE MAGNITUDE OF GOD TO  
PROVIDE.

NO DOUBT, ANXIETY MANIFESTS IN  
AFFECTED AREAS, BUT GOD GRANTS  
UNSHAKEABLE PEACE TO RID THE  
STORM VICTIMS OF FEAR AND PLEASE  
SHOW US HOW TO RESPOND TO THE  
NEEDS OF THOSE STRUGGLING IN  
FRUSTRATION AND FEAR.

PRAY FOR SAFETY, HEARING AND  
PEACE OF MIND FOR THOSE  
AFFECTED.

IN PSALMS, GOD IS OUR REFUGE OF  
STRENGTH, AN EVER PRESENT HELP  
IN TROUBLE, THEREFORE WE WILL  
NOT FEAR.

THOUGH THE EARTH GIVE WAY AND  
THE MOUNTAINS FALL INTO IS IT  
WATERS OF THE SEA, EARTH'S  
WATERS ROAR AND FOAM AND  
MOUNTAINS QUAKE.

GOD HAS NOT LEFT US OR FORSAKEN  
US.

LET OUR FAITH BE RAISED TO  
REALIZE THAT WONDERFUL REALITY.  
IN THE MIDST OF THIS WEATHER,  
CALAMITY AND DISASTER, I TRUST  
EVERYTHING WILL WORK TOGETHER  
FOR OUR GOOD IN HIS OWN TIME AND  
IN HIS OWN WAY, ALL WILL COME  
TOGETHER.

WE WILL BE BETTER, WE WILL BE  
STRONGER, GOD WILL CONTINUE TO  
BE WITH US TO GIVE US THE GLORY  
AND GUIDE US TO THE RECOVERY  
EFFORTS.

I HAVE BEEN MOVED BEYOND BELIEF  
BY THE SPIRIT OF GENEROSITY IN

HOUSTON DURING THE WEEK OF  
DEVASTATION OF HARVEY.  
IT MAKES ME WANT TO WORK HARDER  
TO BUILD THE COMMUNITY IN  
HOUSTON AND ACROSS THE NATION.  
MAY GOD CONTINUE TO BLESS AND  
KEEP US.

THANK YOU.

(APPLAUSE)

>> LET'S WITH THOSE BEAUTIFUL  
WORDS CLOSE UP THE MEETING IN  
MEMORY OF THE FOLLOWING  
INDIVIDUALS.

FOR COUNCILLOR CIOMMO, PAULA  
JOYCE BUCKLEY, BESSIE L.

RAINIER, ANTHONY S.

FOR COUNCILLOR FLAHERTY, ABJADI.

FOR COUNCILLOR LaMATTINA,  
JOSEPH SEAR.

FOR COUNCILLOR LINEHAN JACK  
COAKLEY, IDEA B. GRAVES.

FOR COUNCILLOR McCARTHY,  
RICHARD, DIANE, DAVID, AND FOR  
ALL COUNCILLORS, E.M.S. CAPTAIN  
ROBERT SARGE HALEY AND THE  
VICTIMS OF HURRICANES HARVEY AND  
IRMA.

A MOMENT OF SILENCE, PLEASE.  
APOLOGIES, ALSO ON BEHALF OF THE  
ENTIRE COUNCIL, AUDITOR, JOE  
DINUCCI.

A MOMENT OF SILENCE, PLEASE.  
THANK YOU.

WHEN THE COUNCIL ADJOURNS WE DO  
SO IN MEMORY OF THE  
AFOREMENTIONED INDIVIDUALS.  
SCHEDULED TO MEET TUESDAY  
SEPTEMBER 19 AT FANEUIL HALL.

(VOTING)

AYES HAVE IT.

COUNCIL IS ADJOURNED.