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>> GOOD AFTERNOON, MADAM CLERK.

WILL YOU CALL THE ROLL TO
ASCERTAIN A QUORUM?

>> COUNCILLOR BAKER.

>> HERE.

>> COUNCILLOR CUOMO.

EDWARDS.

COUNCILLOR EDWARDS.

EXCUSE ME.

IT'S HIS FAULT.

COUNCILLOR ESSAIBI-GEORGE.

>> HELLO.

>> COUNCILLOR FLAHERTY.

COUNCILLOR FLYNN.

>> HERE.

>> COUNCILLOR GARRISON.

>> HERE.

>> COUNCILLOR JANEY.

>> HERE.

>> COUNCILLOR McCARTHY.

>> COUNCILLOR O'MALLEY.

>> PRESENT.

>> COUNCILLOR WU.

>> COUNCILLOR ZAKIM.

>> HERE.

>> MADAM PRESIDENT, WE HAVE A
QUORUM.

>> THANK YOU.

I WAS HUGGING MY COLLEAGUE.

SO I'M INFORMED BY THE CLERK

THAT A QUORUM IS PRESENT.

AT THIS TIME IF ALL COUNCILLORS

AND GUESTS COULD PLEASE RISE AS

OUR LOVELY CLERK LEADS US IN THE

INVOCATION.

I ASK EVERYONE REMAIN STANDING

AS SHE LEADS NEWS THE PLEDGE OF

ALLEGIANCE.

>> THANK YOU.

GOOD MORNING.

WE GATHER ONCE AGAIN TO DO GOD'S

WORK.

THE WORK OF PEACE.

MAY WE SEEK TO RENEW A RIGHT

SPIRIT WITHIN OUR OWN SOULS AND

A RIGHT SPIRIT AMONG OUR SISTERS

AND BROTHERS GATHERED HERE TODAY

SO THAT WE MAY CARRY THE SPIRIT

OF GOD OF PEACE INTO THE WORLD

TO RELIEVE THE SUFFERING OF ALL

BEINGS, REACHING INWARD WE
PREPARE OUR HEARTS TO BE AT
PEACE, TO WORK WITH OUR
COLLEAGUES IN PEACE AND TO BRING
PEACE TO THE WORLD.
WE HEAR THE WORDS OF OUR
TEACHERS ECHOING THE
UNDERSTANDING AND WISDOM OF OUR
MANY SPIRITUAL TRADITIONS.
AND SO NOW AS WE TURN TO OUR
WORK AT THIS MEETING, LET US
PRAY WITH ACTION FOR PEACE IN
THE NATIONS AND IN THE CITIES.
MAY THIS BE A REFLECTION OF THE
PEACE THAT RESIDES IN EACH OF
OUR HEARTS.
MAY OUR GREATEST PASSION BE
COMPASSION AND OUR GREATEST
STRENGTHS BE LOVE.
SO MAY IT BE, AMEN, SHALOM,
SALAM.

>> I PLEDGE ALLEGIANCE OF THE
FLAG, TO THE UNITED STATES OF
AMERICA AND TO THE REPUBLIC FOR
WHICH IT STANDS, ONE NATION,
UNDER GOD, INDIVISIBLE, WITH
LIBERTY AND JUSTICE FOR ALL.

>> THANK YOU, MADAM CLERK.
BEFORE WE GET INTO THE REGULAR
ORDER OF BUSINESS, I WANT THE
ACKNOWLEDGE THAT WE HAVE A
CONGRESSMAN FROM HAITI WHO IS
STANDING IN THE BACK.
CONGRESSMAN JERRY TRUDEAU WITH
HIS MOM.

THANK YOU SO MUCH FOR BEING
HERE.

[APPLAUSE]

THANK YOU FOR THE WORK YOU DO ON
BEHALF OF YOUR COUNTRY AND THE
HAITIAN POPULATION IN DISTRICT 4
AND 5.

THANK YOU SO MUCH.
MOVING ALONG TO APPROVAL OF THE
MINUTES.

IF THERE'S NO CORRECTIONS TO BE
MADE, THE MINUTES OF THE LAST
COUNCIL MEETING WILL STAND
APPROVED.

SEEING AND HEARING NO OBJECTION,
THE MINUTES ARE SO APPROVED.
MADAM CLERK, MOVING ON TO
REPORTS OF PUBLIC OFFICERS AND
OTHERS.

>> DOCKET NUMBER 0607,
COMMUNICATION WAS RECEIVED FROM
THE BOSTON RETIREMENT BOARD
REGARDING FY-20 RETIREE COST OF
LIVING ADJUSTMENTS KNOWN AS COLA
BASE VOTE.

>> DOCKET NUMBER 0607 WILL BE
PLACED ON FILE.

MOVING ON TO REPORTS OF
COMMITTEES.

>> DOCKET NUMBER 0310.

THE COMMITTEE ON GOVERNMENT
OPERATIONS TO WHICH WAS REFERRED
ON FEBRUARY 6, 2019, DOCKET
NUMBER 0310.

PETITION FOR A SPECIAL LAW
REGARDING AN ACT CONCERNING THE
RETIREMENT CLASSIFICATION FOR
BOSTON SCHOOLS POLICE OFFICERS
SUBMITS A REPORT RECOMMENDING
THE WHOLE ROOM PETITION OUGHT TO
PASS.

>> THE HOME RULE WOULD AMEMBERED
SECTION 3 OF THE GENERAL LAWS.

CURRENTLY BOSTON SCHOOL POLICE
OFFICERS ARE CLASSIFIED IN THE
GROUP 1 SYSTEM, WHICH INCLUDES
CLERICAL AND ADMINISTRATIVE
WORKERS.

SPONSORED BY FRANK BAKER.

THE COMMITTEE HELD A PUBLIC
HEARING.

WE HEARD TESTIMONY FROM THE
ADMINISTRATION VIA THE ATTORNEY
AND GENERAL COUNSEL AND TIM
SMITH, EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR FROM
THE BOSTON RETIREMENT BOARD.

OFFERED BACKGROUND INFORMATION
PROVIDING GROUP CLASSIFICATIONS.

WE ALSO HEARD FROM THE BOSTON
SCHOOL POLICE ABOUT THE HISTORY
OF THE DEPARTMENT, THEIR IN
DEPTH TRAINING AND DAY TO DAY
RESPONSIBILITIES.

AND BASED ON THAT INFORMATION
GATHERED AT THE HEARING ABOUT
THE MINIMAL COST IMPACT AND
VITAL ROLE THAT OUR POLICE
OFFICERS HAVE IN MAINTAINING
SECURITY.

I RECOMMEND THAT DOCKET NUMBER
0310 PASS AND THROUGH THE CHAIR
WOULD LIKE TO GIVE THE LEAD
SPONSOR AN OPPORTUNITY, IF HE

HAS ANY ADDITIONAL COMMENTS TO MAKE.

THANK YOU, MADAM PRESIDENT.

>> THANK YOU, COUNCILLOR FLAHERTY.

COUNCILLOR BAKER.

>> THANK YOU, MR. CHAIR, FOR THE HEARING.

WE HAD A HEARING ON DOCKET NUMBER 0310 LAST WEEK AND HEARD FROM REPRESENTATIVES FROM THE BOSTON SCHOOL POLICE AND BOSTON RETIREMENT BOARD.

I THANK YOU FOR MY COLLEAGUES TO JOIN THE HEARING, THIS PETITION WILL AMEND THE GENERAL LAW TO SPECIFICALLY ADD BOSTON POLICE OFFICERS TO GROUP 2 RETIREMENT CLASSIFICATION.

CURRENTLY BOSTON SCHOOL OFFICERS FALL UNDER GROUP ONE, WHICH IS CLERICAL AND ADMINISTRATIVE WORKERS.

THE BOSTON SCHOOL POLICE ARE LICENSED UNDER BPD RULE 400 A AS SPECIAL OFFICERS.

THEY HAVE THE POWER TO MAKE ARRESTS, PRESERVE ORDER AND ENFORCE LAWS OF THE COMMONWEALTH.

THEY CARRY HANDCUFFS, MACE AND TRAINED BY THE BOSSES TO POLICE DEPARTMENT.

PRIOR TO BEING ASSIGNED TO ONE OF OUR MIDDLE OR HIGH SCHOOL CAMPUSES, THEY ARE CERTIFIED FIRST RESPONDERS AND COMPLETE NATIONAL MANAGEMENT SYSTEMS, EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT COURSES. SCHOOL POLICE OFFICERS PROVIDE A MUCH-NEEDED SCHOOL-BASED COMMUNITY POLICING AND WORK CLOSELY WITH BPD, MBTA, CRIMES AGAINST CHILDREN, JUVENILE AND PROBATION AND SOLVING AND PREVENTING CLIMBS CLASSES.

THE BOSTON SCHOOL POLICE HAVE CONFISCATED THOUSANDS OF DANGEROUS WEAPONS.

SOME HAVE BEEN ASSAULTED.

SCHOOL POLICE ARE THE ON-SIGHT FIRST RESPONDERS RESPONSIBLE FOR PROVIDING A SAFE ENVIRONMENT FOR STUDENT TO LEARN.

IT'S TIME TO TAKE A SERIOUS LOOK
AT HOW WE'RE CLASSIFYING OUR
TRAINED POLICE OFFICERS.
THERE'S 79 SCHOOL POLICE
OFFICERS.

THE AVERAGE IS 49 YEARS OLD AND
AVERAGE YEARS OF SERVICE IS 16.
THE ESTIMATED COST OF MOVING THE
OFFICERS FROM GROUP 1 TO GROUP 2
WOULD INCREASE THE NORMAL
RETIREMENT COSTS, OUR COSTS FROM
THE CITY TO \$65,000.

IN THE ACTUAL ACCRUED LIABILITY
OF \$1,072,000 BASED ON THE
AMORTORIZATION PAYMENTS.
THEY ARE DESERVED TO BE IN GROUP
2.

BASICALLY WHAT THIS WILL DO, IF
YOU REACH YOUR MAXIMUM AT 65
YEARS THAT WILL BRING THE
MAXIMUM FOR THESE OFFERS TO 60.
SO THEY CAN GET -- BASED ON WHEN
YOU RETIRE, 65 WOULD GET 2.5,
TIMES YOUR YEARS.

THIS WOULD GIVE THEM THE 2.5 AT
60 INSTEAD OF HAVING TO STAY
UNTIL THEY'RE 60.

A LOT OF GUYS, MEN AND WOMEN,
THE THOUGHT OF ROLLING AROUND ON
THE STREET OR THE SIDEWALK WITH
A 18-YEAR-OLD KID, THE SHOULDER
IS BEYOND EVERYTHING.

THEY'RE DOING A GOOD JOB AND WE
SHOULD PASS THIS, SEND IT OVER
FOR THE MAYOR AND UP TO THE
STATE HOUSE, THIS IS A REFILE.
I FILED IT TWO OR THREE YEARS
AGO.

I'M NOT SURE IF I PLAN ON
WORKING UP THE STATE HOUSES
WILL.

THANK YOU, MADAM PRESIDENT.

>> THANK YOU, COUNCILLOR BAKER.
COUNCILLOR FLYNN, YOU HAVE THE
FLOOR.

>> THANK YOU, MADAM PRESIDENT.
I WANT TO SAY THANK YOU TO
COUNCILLOR BAKER FOR HIS
LEADERSHIP ON THIS IMPORTANT
ISSUE.

AS A PROBATION OFFICER FOR TEN
YEARS AND FORMER TEACHER, I SAW
THE WORK OUR SCHOOL POLICE
PLAYED IN THE CITY OF BOSTON, IN

OUR SCHOOLS.
THEY'RE VERY PROFESSIONAL.
THEY'RE HARD WORKING, HIGHLY
TRAINED AND GREAT AMBASSADORS TO
OUR CITY AND STUDENTS AND TO THE
SCHOOL DEPARTMENT AS WELL.
I HOPE TO WORK CLOSELY WITH
COUNCILLOR BAKER AS WELL WITH
LOBBYING EFFORTS AT THE STATE
HOUSE.

THE SCHOOL POLICE OFFICERS
REALLY DESERVE THIS.
THANK YOU, MADAM PRESIDENT.
>> THANK YOU, COUNCILLOR FLYNN.
ANYONE ELSE LOOKING TO SPEAK ON
THIS MATTER?

AT THIS TIME COUNCILLOR
FLAHERTY, WHO IS CHAIR OF THE
COMMITTEE ON GOVERNMENT
OPERATIONS SEEKS ACCEPTANCE OF
THE COMMITTEE REPORT AND PASSAGE
OF DOCKET NUMBER 0310.

ALL IN FAVOR SAY AYE.

ALL OPPOSED SAY NEY.

THE AYES HAVE IT.

DOCKET NUMBER 0310 HAS BEEN
PASSED.

>> MADAM PRESIDENT, MAY I SPEAK?

>> YES, COUNCILLOR BAKER.

IF YOU COULD CALL THE ROLL.

>> COUNCILLOR BAKER?

>> YES.

>> COUNCILLOR CAMPBELL.

>> YES.

>> COUNCILLOR CIOMMO.

>> YES.

>> COUNCILLOR EDWARDS.

>> YES.

>> COUNCILLOR ESSAIBI-GEORGE.

>> YES.

>> COUNCILLOR FLAHERTY.

>> YES.

>> COUNCILLOR FLYNN.

>> YES.

>> COUNCILLOR GARRISON.

>> YES.

>> COUNCILLOR JANEY.

>> YES.

>> COUNCILLOR McCARTHY.

>> YES.

>> COUNCILLOR O'MALLEY.

>> YES.

>> COUNCILLOR WU.

>> YES.

>> COUNCILLOR ZAKIM.

>> YES.

>> MADAM PRESIDENT, DOCKET NUMBER 0310 HAS RECEIVED A UNANIMOUS VOTE.

>> THANK YOU, MADAM CLERK. DOCKET NUMBER 0310 HAS BEEN PASSED.

MOVING ON TO MATTERS RECENTLY HEARD FOR POSSIBLE ACTION.

MADAM CLERK, IF WE COULD READ DOCKET NUMBER 0501 AND '0502 TOGETHER.

>> THANK YOU.

DOCKET NUMBER 0501, MESSAGE AND ORDER APPROVING A SUPPLEMENTAL APPROPRIATIONS TO THE LIBRARY DEPARTMENT FOR FY-19 IN THE AMOUNT OF \$732,604 TO COVER THE FY-19 COST ITEM CONTAINED WITHIN THE COLLECTIVE BARGAINING AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE CITY OF BOSTON AND THE BOSTON PUBLIC LIBRARY PROFESSIONAL STAFF ASSOCIATION KNOWN AS PSA. THE TERMS OF THE CONTRACT ARE OCTOBER 1, 2016 TO SEPTEMBER 30, 2017 AND OCTOBER 12017 THROUGH SEPTEMBER 30th 2020.

MAJOR PROVISIONS OF THE CONTRACT INCLUDE BASE WAGE INCREASES OF 2% EFFECTIVE THE FIRST PAY PERIOD OF JANUARY OF EACH FISCAL YEAR AND A NEW STEP STARTING IN 2019.

FILED IN THE OFFICE OF THE CITY CLERK ON MARCH 11, 2019.

DOCKET NUMBER 0502, MESSAGE AND ORDER TO REDUCE THE FY-19 APPROPRIATION FOR COLLECTIVE BARGAINING BY \$732,604 TO PROVIDE FUNDING TO THE LIBRARY DEPARTMENT FOR THE FY-19 INCREASES CONTAINED WITHIN THE COLLECTIVE BARGAINING AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE CITY OF BOSTON AND THE BOSTON PUBLIC LIBRARY PROFESSIONAL STAFF ASSOCIATIONS KNOWN AS PSA.

>> THANK YOU, MADAM CLERK. COUNCILLOR CIOMMO, YOU HAVE THE FLOOR.

>> THANK YOU, MADAM PRESIDENT. DOCKET NUMBER 0501 CONCERNS AN

APPROPRIATION FOR COLLECTIVE BARGAINING AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE CITY OF BOSTON AND THE BOSTON PUBLIC LIBRARY PROFESSIONAL STAFF ASSOCIATION.

APPROXIMATELY 160 MEMBERS IN THIS BARGAINING UNIT.

MOSTLY LIBRARIANS AND ASSISTIVE MANAGERS, COMMUNICATION STAFF AND OTHER EMPLOYEES PROVIDING PROFESSIONAL LIBRARY SERVICES. THE AGREEMENT CONSISTS OF TWO CONSECUTIVE AGREEMENTS EXTENDING FROM OCTOBER 2016 THROUGH SEPTEMBER OF 2020 WITH AN ESTIMATED COST OF \$2.6 MILLION OVER THAT 4-YEAR PERIOD.

LANGUAGE ITEMS FOR THIS CONTRACT INCLUDE ENTITLEMENT TO THE CITY'S PAID PARENTAL LEAVE BENEFIT, MOVES TO ELECTRONIC PAY STUBS AND BIWEEKLY PAY, LIMITING THE RIGHT TO ADVANCE GRIEVANCE TO ARBITRATION AND A PROFESSIONAL BYPASS AND CENTRALIZING THE PAY GRADE TO THE OFFICE OF HUMAN RESOURCES, THIS IS CONSISTENCE WITH ALL OF THE OTHER AGREEMENTS WITH THE CITY AND OUR BARGAINING UNITS.

2% WAGE INCREASE EFFECTIVE IN JANUARY OF EACH YEAR OF THE CONTRACT.

CREATION OF A NEW HIGHER STEP AND ELIMINATION OF A CURRENT LOWER STEP.

A ONE-TIME LUMP SUM PAYMENT OF \$250 FOR ALL EMPLOYEES EFFECTIVE MARCH 2019.

INCREASES FOR THOSE WITH SECOND JOB RELATED MASTERS DEGREES.

THE WAGE INCREASE PATTERN COMPENSATION AND LANGUAGE ITEMS ARE CONSISTENT WITH THE PREVIOUSLY APPROVED AGREEMENTS.

THE COMMITTEE HEALTH THEIR HEARING ON THESE DOCKETS, MONDAY, APRIL 1.

WE HAD JUSTIN STARRETT AND ELLEN DONAHEE TESTIFY.

THE SUPPLEMENTAL APPROPRIATION WILL BE \$732,604.

FOLLOWING APPROVAL OF THIS APPROPRIATION, THERE WILL BE

\$15.2 MILLION REMAINING IN THE
COLLECTIVE BARGAINING RESERVE.
I RECOMMEND PASSAGE.

THANK YOU.

>> ANYBODY ELSE LOOKING TO
SPEAK?

AT THIS TIME COUNCILLOR CIOMMO
WHO IS CHAIR OF THE COMMITTEE ON
WAYS AND MEANS SEEKS ACCEPTANCE
OF THE REPORT AND PASSAGE OF
DOCKET NUMBER 0501 AND 0502.

I WILL TAKE THEM SEPARATELY.
FOR DOCKET NUMBER 0501, ALL IN
FAVOR SAY AYE.

ALL OPPOSED SAY NEY.

THE AYES HAVE IT.

DOCKET NUMBER 0501 HAS BEEN
PASSED.

FOR DOCKET NUMBER 0502, ALL IN
FAVOR SAY AYE.

ALL OPPOSED SAY NEY.

THE AYES HAVE IT.

DOCKET NUMBER 0502 HAS BEEN
PASSED.

>> DOCKET NUMBER 0197, ORDER FOR
HEARING REGARDING THE
IMPLEMENTATION OF POLICY
REQUIRING ALL BOSTON PUBLIC
SCHOOLS TO HAVE A FULL TIME
NURSE AND SOCIAL EMOTIONAL
SUPPORT SPECIALISTS.

>> COUNCILLOR ESSAIBI-GEORGE.

>> THANK YOU.

THIS MONDAY I HAD A HEARING
REGARDING THE IMPLEMENTATION OF
A POLICY REQUIRING THE MINIMUM
OF ONEFULL TIME NURSE AND
PSYCHOLOGIST IN ALL OF OUR
BOSTON PUBLIC SCHOOLS.

I'D LIKE TO THANK COUNCILLORS
JANEY AND O'MALLEY FOR
PARTICIPATING.

THE HEARING HAD TWO PANELS
PRESENT TO GAIN INFORMATION.
THE ONE FROM THE BOSTON PUBLIC
SCHOOLS INCLUDED MARGARET
VAN CLEVE, THE SENIOR DIRECTOR
OF HEALTH SERVICES, JILL CARTER,
INTERIM ASSISTANT SUPERINTENDENT
AND DR. CHARLES GRANSON.

AFTER THE PRESENTATION, WE
ADDRESSED CONCERNS WITH BPS
HEALTH AND WELLNESS POLICIES, WE
TALKED ABOUT INSUFFICIENT

RESOURCES AND THE IMPACT OF TRAUMA AND VIOLENCE.

STREAMLINING THE PARENT PORTAL AND THE INADEQUACY OF HAVING PART-TIME NURSES IN 44 OF OUR SCHOOLS.

THROUGHOUT THIS PANEL IT WAS CLEAR THAT ALTHOUGH WE'VE BEEN ABLE TO IDENTIFY STUDENT NEEDS, THERE HASN'T BEEN ENOUGH PROGRESS AND IMPROVING ACCESS TO SERVICES.

IN ADDITION TO INCREASING STAFFING, THERE'S A GREAT NEED TO PRIORITIZE PROVIDERS WITH CULTURAL DIVERSITY, LANGUAGE AND ETHNIC AND RACIAL DIVERDIVERSITY.

LAST YEAR THEY INVESTED AN ADDITIONAL \$2.3 MILLION FOR NURSES, SCHOOL PSYCHOLOGISTS AND SOCIAL WORKERS.

ON THE NURSING PIECE, THIS BROUGHT ALL OF OUR SCHOOLS TO A MINIMUM OF A .5 NURSE.

IN THOSE 44 SCHOOLS, WE HAVE .5 NURSES, SOME OF THOSE SCHOOLS HAD A .6 OR A .7 AT SOME POINT. TO MITIGATE THE SCHOOLS, WE RAISED SOME UP AND BROUGHT SOME DOWN.

WE DO NEED ADDITIONAL NURSES TO MAKE ALL OF THESE .5s AND ALL OF THESE 44 SCHOOLS FULL TIME NURSES.

I ASKED WHAT IT WOULD TAKE DURING THIS HEARING FINANCIALLY TO IMPLEMENT A FULL TIME NURSE IN ALL OF OUR SCHOOLS.

WE ESTIMATE IT COSTS \$97,000 PER SCHOOL NURSE.

THAT WOULD BE AN INVESTMENT OF APPROXIMATELY \$2.2 MILLION.

UNFORTUNATELY IN THIS SCHOOL -- THE SCHOOL'S BUDGET PASSED BY THE SCHOOL COMMITTEE, THERE WAS NO ADDITIONAL INVESTMENTS FOR FY-20.

I'D LIKE FORWARD TO ADVOCATE FOR THIS FUNDING AND THOSE ADDITIONAL NURSING HOURS IN ALL OF OUR SCHOOLS.

DURING THE SECOND PANEL, WE WERE JOINED BY PROVIDERS, A BPS PUPIL COLORS, JONATHAN HAYES AS WELL

AS DR. JENNY GORMLEY.

AND IN BOSTON, WE CATEGORIZE 76%
OF OUR STUDENTS AS HIGH
MAINTENANCE.

THE EXPERIENCE OF THESE
PANELISTS SHED LIGHT ON THE
LONG-TERM IMPACT OF INADEQUATE
PROVIDERS TO SUPPORT THE MENTAL
AND PHYSICAL HEALTH OF OUR
STUDENTS.

IN ADDITION TO TRAVELING BACK
AND FORTH BETWEEN TWO DIFFERENT
BUILDINGS, OUR NURSES WITH TWO
ASSIGNMENTS HAVE TO ADAPT TO TWO
SCHOOL COMMUNITIES, KEEP TWO
SEPARATE CASE LOADS FOR MORNING
AND AFTERNOON SCHOOLS AND HAVE
THE BURDEN OF ASKING THEMSELVES,
AM I IN THE WRONG BUILDING AT
THE WRONG TIME AT THIS TIME
EVERY DAY AS A FORMER TEACHER IN
EAST BOSTON HIGH SCHOOL, I'VE
SEEN OUR NURSE SAVE LIVES.
I BELIEVE THAT ACCESS TO A FULL
TIME NURSE IS NOR A SAFE
ENVIRONMENT.

HAVING A FULL TIME NURSE IN
EVERY SCHOOL SHOULD NOT HAVE TO
BE A LINE ITEM THAT I LOOK FOR
IN OUR BUDGET.

IT SHOULD BE A STANDARD
NONREQUIREMENT.

AS SOCIAL AND SUPPORT
SPECIALISTS, WE HAVE SOCIAL
WORKERS THAT COVER UP TO EACH
ONE OF THEM, COVER UP TO 20
SCHOOLS IN OUR DISTRICT.

THERE NEEDS TO BE A LICENSED AND
TRAINED PROFESSIONAL IN EACH OF
OUR SCHOOLS.

NOT ONLY FOR THE SOCIAL, MENTAL
AND EMOTIONAL WELLNESS BUT TO
ALLOW TEACHERS TO FOCUS ON
TEACHING INSTEAD OF ACTING AS
THERAPISTS, COUNCILLORS AND
SOCIAL WORKERS.

I ASK THAT THIS REMAIN IN
COMMITTEE.

THANK YOU.

>> THANK YOU, COUNCILLOR
ESSAIBI-GEORGE.

DOCKET NUMBER 0197 WILL REMAIN
IN THE COMMITTEE ON EDUCATION.

MADAM CLERK, IF WE COULD --

BEFORE THESE FOLKS, THESE LOVELY FOLKS WALK OUT OF THE CITY COUNT CRIMINAL CHAMBER, I WANTED TO ACKNOWLEDGE GUESTS OF COUNCILLOR WU.

THE STUDENTS FROM BRYANT UNIVERSITY THAT CAME TO SEE US IN ACTION TODAY.

SO THANK YOU FOR COMING TODAY.

THANK YOU.

[APPLAUSE]

>> DOCKET NUMBER 0211, A PETITION TO THE GENERAL COURT ENTITLED PETITION FOR A SPECIAL LAW REQUIRING AN ACT RELATIVE TO VOTING PRECINCTS IN THE CITY OF BOSTON.

DOCKET NUMBER 0314, ORDINANCE REQUIRING THE REVIEW OF PRECINCTS FROM THE CITY OF BOSTON.

>> COUNCILLOR FLAHERTY.

>> THANK YOU.

WE HELD A JOINT HEARING YESTERDAY ON DOCKET NUMBER 0211, WHICH IS HOME RULE PETITION THAT WOULD ALLOW THE CITY TO ESTABLISH SUBPRECINCTS TO ALLEVIATE CROWDS AND LINES IN SOME PARTS THAT HAVE EXPERIENCED SIGNIFICANT GROWTH.

THEY WON'T CHANGE WARD BOUNDARY LINES AND WILL NOT CHANGE REPRESENTATION FOR THE PURPOSES OF CONGRESSIONAL REPRESENTATIVE, SENATORIAL OR COUNCIL DISTRICTS SPONSORED BY OUR MAYOR.

DURING THE HEARING, WE HAD TESTIFY FROM MASS BOAT AND THE PUBLIC.

THE COMMITTEE HEARD TESTIMONY IN FAVOR OF THE PROPOSAL AND MORE COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT AND OUTREACH AROUND THESE CHANGES AND THE NEED FOR LARGER AND MORE PRECINCT REVIEW IN THE CITY.

THAT WAS LED BY ED FLYNN AND KIM JANEY.

WE HAD A BILL SPONSORED BY YOURSELF, MADAM PRESIDENT AND MICHELLE WU.

THAT PROPOSED ORDINANCE SEEKS TO AMEND CHAPTER TWO BY ADDING THE APPROPRIATE COMMITTEE TO THE

CITY COUNCIL TO CONDUCT A REVIEW EVERY FIVE YEARS.

WE HEARD TESTIFY FROM THE HEAD REGISTRAR AS WELL AS IAN KERR. WE ALSO ADDITIONALLY MADE NOTE OF THE REQUEST THROUGH THE LEAD SPONSOR, TECHNICAL AMENDMENTS LIKE ADDING LANGUAGE TO INCLUDE THE ELECTION COMMISSIONER AND THE ELECTIONS DEPARTMENT IN THE FINAL RESULT.

AS A RESULT OF THE INFORMATION AND FEEDBACK, I RECOMMEND DOCKET NUMBER 0211 AND 0214 REMAIN IN COMMITTEE TO ISSUE A FULL REPORT AND PULL ALL THE SUM AND SUBSTANCE OF YESTERDAY'S HEARING TO SOMETHING THAT WE COULD PUT BEFORE THE FLOOR FOR A VOTE. THROUGH THE CHAIR, IF EITHER OF THE LEAD SPONSORS WOULD LIKE TO SPEAK, I'LL DEFER.

THANK YOU, MADAM PRESIDENT.

>> THANK YOU, COUNCILLOR FLAHERTY.

THANKS FOR HOLDING A TIMELY HEARING.

DOCKET NUMBER 0211 AND 0314 WILL REMAIN IN THE COMMITTEE ON GOVERNMENT OPERATIONS.

>> DOCKET NUMBER 0199.

ORDER FOR HEARING REGARDING INDEPENDENT EDUCATION PLANS IN THE BOSTON PUBLIC SCHOOLS.

>> COUNCILLOR ESSAIBI-GEORGE, YOU HAVE THE FLOOR.

>> THANK YOU, MADAM CHAIR.

LAST NIGHT I CHAIRED A FOUR-HOUR POWERFUL AND IMPORTANT HEARING ON INDIVIDUALIZED EDUCATION PLANS IN THE BOSTON PUBLIC SCHOOLS.

I WOULD LIKE TO NOTE ON THE ORIGINAL HEARING ORDER, THERE WAS A TYPO.

REREFERENCE THEM AS INDEPENDENT AND THEY ARE INDIVIDUALIZED.

I'D LIKE TO THANK COUNCILLOR O'MALLEY AND FLYNN FOR ATTENDING AS WELL AS COUNCILLOR JANEY.

SHE STAYED FOR THE DURATION OF THE HEARING AND WE GOT QUITE A BIT OUT OF PUBLIC WAS THE.

WE WERE JOINED BY THE SCHOOLS OF

PUBLIC EDUCATION.

THERE WAS AN IEP ON PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT FOR SCHOOL COORDINATORS, IEP DISTRICT RESPONSIBILITIES, THE PROCESS FOR TRANSITION PLANNING AND INCLUSIONARY CLASSROOM POLICY. AFTER THE PRESENTATION, WE ADDRESSED CONCERNS, INSUFFICIENT SUPPORT STAFF TO PROVIDE SERVICES REQUIRED IN AN IEP, DELAYS AND WAIT TIMES FOR IEP SERVICES, RESTRICTIONS TO PRIVATE SCHOOL STUDENTS AND CASES WHERE IEPS WERE MODIFIED AND MADE SURE TO BE NOT OUT OF COMPLIANCE.

WE HAD DIANE HERE AND TESTIMONY FROM MELANIE ALLEN, WHO WAS A BTU TEACHER AND A MOTHER OF A SON WITH SPECIAL NEEDS.

I WANT TO HIGHLIGHT FOR US THAT WE HEARD PUBLIC TESTIMONY THAT LASTED OVER TWO HOURS.

THAT INCLUDED TESTIMONY FROM PARENTS, TEACHERS, EDUCATION ACTIVISTS AND SPECIAL EDUCATION PROFESSIONALS AND TEACHERS.

I WANT TO RECOGNIZE AND CREDIT THAT WITHIN OUR DISTRICT, THERE ARE THOUSANDS OF KIDS THAT ARE GETTING THE SERVICES THEY NEED, WANT AND SHOULD GET.

MY OWN SON WHO HAS A 504 RECEIVES WONDERFUL SUPPORT FROM HIS SCHOOL AND I WANT TO MAKE SURE THAT WE NOTE OF THE GREAT THINGS THAT ARE HAPPENING IN THE DISTRICT.

UNFORTUNATELY, DURING THE PERIOD OF TIME, WE HEARD VERY PERSONAL EXPERIENCES ABOUT THE IEP EXPERIENCE, ABOUT THE RECEIVING OR NOT RECEIVING OF IEP SERVICES AND IT WAS IN DIRECT OPPOSITION TO WHAT THE DISTRICT PRESENTED. CERTAINLY INSTANCES THAT APPEAR VERY MUCH OUT OF COMPLIANCE.

LAST NIGHT WE HEARD FROM PARENTS ABOUT THE OVERWHELMING BARRIERS AND THE IEP PROCESS.

AS A PARENT, AS A CITY COUNCILLOR, FORMER TEACHER, IT'S SHOCKING TO HEAR THAT PARENTS

RECEIVE SERVICES THAT ARE
REQUIRED IN THEIR IEP.
AS WE SAID LAST NIGHT, BUDGET
CONSTRAINTS OUTWEIGH GOOD
INTENTIONS EVERY YEAR.
FAMILIES HAVE HAD A DIFFICULT
TIME UNDERSTANDING AND
NAVIGATING THE IEP PROCESS.
IT'S ESPECIALLY DIFFICULT FOR
FAMILIES WHOSE FIRST LANGUAGE IS
NOT ENGLISH AND THEREFORE NOT
ABLE TO ADEQUATELY ADVOCATE FOR
THEIR CHILD.

IF AS A DISTRICT WE'RE SERIOUS
ABOUT FULL INCLUSION, WE HAVE TO
ENSURE THAT WE'RE PROVIDING
ENOUGH SEATS, STAFFING AND
SUPPORT.

IT IS UNACCEPTABLE THAT OUR
FAMILIES ARE WAIT LISTED FOR
LONG PERIODS OF TIME.

SOME FAMILIES DECIDE TO LEAVE
THE SYSTEM AND THE CITY ITSELF.

THE STORIES WE HEARD FROM
TEACHERS SHARED THAT WERE
SIMILARLY CONCERNING.

SPECIFICALLY AT THE HUMANA
SCHOOL.

AS A DISTRICT, WE NEED TO DO
BETTER AND PUTTING THE CHILD
FIRST AND PROVIDING WRAP AROUND
SERVICES TO ENSURE THAT OUR
CHILDREN ARE SUCCEEDING.

WE NEED TO BE EXCEEDING THE
STANDARD AND GOING BEYOND THE
MINIMUM.

I ASK THAT THIS REMAIN IN
COMMITTEE.

>> THANK YOU, COUNCILLOR
ESSAIBI-GEORGE.

ANYONE ELSE?

DOCKET NUMBER 0199 WILL REMAIN
IN THE COMMITTEE OF EDUCATION.
MOVING ON TO ORDERS AND
RESOLUTIONS.

>> DOCKET NUMBER 0608.

COUNCILLORS ZAKIM AND O'MALLEY
OFFERED THE FOLLOWING
RESOLUTION.

SUPERINTENDING SENATE BILL
683, AN ACT ESTABLISHING
MEDICARE FOR ALL IN
MASSACHUSETTS.

>> COUNCILLOR ZAKIM, YOU HAVE

THE FLOOR.

>> THANK YOU, MADAM PRESIDENT.
I WANT TO THANK MY GOOD
COLLEAGUE, COUNCILLOR O'MALLEY
FOR JOINING ON THIS.

THIS IS NOT THE FIRST TIME THIS
BODY HAS CONSIDERED THE ISSUE OF
MEDICARE FOR ALL, NOR HOPEFULLY
WILL LET THIS BILL TO PASS.

I WANT TO THANK MY CONSTITUENT
WHO IS HERE WHO HAS BEEN AN
ACTIVIST AND ORGANIZER ON THIS
ISSUE.

I KNOW SHE AND HER COLLEAGUES
HAVE REACHED OUT TO YOU AND THE
IMPORTANCE OF MAKING SURE WE'RE
DOING EVERYTHING WE CAN TO
ADDRESS HEALTHCARE NEEDS HERE IN
MASSACHUSETTS.

WE EARLIER TODAY THANKS TO
COUNCILLOR BAKER HAD
PRESENTATIONS FROM THE BOSTON
MEDICAL CENTER, OUR SAFETY NET
HOSPITAL IN THE BOSTON AREA.
WE HEARD ABOUT SOME OF THE GAPS
IN COVERAGE, CARE AND RESOURCES
FOR PEOPLE.

AS WE LOOK OVER DATA, OVER AND
OVER AGAIN, FROM ACROSS THE
STATE, EVEN ACROSS THE COUNTRY,
WE SEE A NEED FOR REFORM LIKE
THIS.

PROUD TO SAY THAT MASSACHUSETTS
IS A LEADER WHEN IT COMES TO
HEALTH INSURANCE AND HEALTH
COVERAGE.

THERE'S MORE WE CAN DO.

THIS BILL IS IN THE SENATE RIGHT
NOW WOULD BE AN IMPORTANT STEP
FORWARD.

I ASK MY COLLEAGUES TO SUSPEND
THIS RESOLUTION AS WE DO SO MANY
OTHER TIMES.

WE LEND OUR VOICE TO THE
IMPORTANT ISSUES IN THE STATE
HOUSE.

THANK YOU.

>> THANK YOU, COUNCILLOR ZAKIM.
COUNCILLOR O'MALLEY.

>> I WANT TO THANK MY DEAR
COLLEAGUE AND FRIEND, THE
DISTRICT COUNCILLOR FROM BACK
BAY INTRODUCING THIS IMPORTANT
RESOLUTION.

IT WILL DISCUSS ONE OF THE CIVIL RIGHTS ISSUES OF OUR TIME. THE DEBATES DO BACK 100 YEARS. MASSACHUSETTS AND BOSTON LEADS THE WAY IN HEALTHCARE JUSTICE. LOSING THE AFFORDABLE CARE ACT WAS ONE OF THE GREAT TRAGEDIES OF THE LAST DECADE. MASSACHUSETTS RESIDENTS HAVE HEALTH INSURANCE, HEALTHCARE COSTS CONTINUE TO RISE UNSUSTAINABLY. IN FACT, THE NUMBER OF CHILDREN UNINSURED HAS BEEN RISING THE LAST YEAR. THE HEART BREAK THAT THEY CREATE FOR FAMILIES HAS A TOLL THAT WE FEEL IN EVERY NEIGHBORHOOD AND EVERY CITY AND TOWN ACROSS THE COMMONWEALTH. IN AN UNREGULATED PRIVATE HEALTHCARE SYSTEM CAN LEAD TO THESE UNSUSTAINABLE COSTS. WE KNOW THAT WE NEED TO LOOK AT DIFFERENT DIRECTIONS. WHILE SINGLE PAYER HEALTHCARE IS AN ISSUE, MY EXPERIENCE IS MY LIBERAL CAUSES CAN HAVE A CONSERVATIVE DIMENSION AS WELL. EVERY FISCAL CONSERVATIVE OUGHT TO BE A ENVIRONMENTALIST. WHEN PRIVATE HEALTHCARE IS SO MUCH MORE EXPENSIVE THAN MEDICARE AND MEDICAID, THOSE THAT DON'T HAVE THE BARGAINING POWER WILL PAY THE PRICE. WHEN RESIDENTS ARE NOT ABLE TO PROVIDE BECAUSE OF HEALTH INSURANCE, OUR ECONOMY SUFFERS. ANY VERSION OF SINKER PAYER HEALTHCARE WILL BE A HEAVY LIFT. WE UNDERSTAND IT'S NOT LIKELY TO HAPPEN THIS YEAR. IF WE CONTINUE TO RAISE THE ISSUES THAT PLAGUE OUR SYSTEM, WE WILL FIND OR WAY FORWARD AGAIN. THANK YOU, MADAM PRESIDENT. >> THANK YOU, COUNCILLOR O'MALLEY. ANYONE ELSE LOOKING TO SPEAK ON THIS MATTER OR ADD THEIR NAME? MADAM CLERK IF YOU COULD ADD COUNCILLORS BAKER, CIOMMO,

FLAHERTY, FLYNN, McCARTHY, WU AS
WELL AS THE CHAIR.

AT THE TIME COUNCILLORS ZAKIM
AND O'MALLEY SEEK SUSPENSION OF
THE RULES AND ADOPTION OF DOCKET
NUMBER 0608.

ALL IN FAVOR SAY AYE.

ALL OPPOSED SAY NEY.

THE AYES HAVE IT.

0608 HAS BEEN ADOPTED.

>> DOCKET NUMBER 0609.

COUNCILLORS FLAHERTY AND FLYNN
OFFERED THE FOLLOWING ORDER FOR
A HEARING REGARD, RETIREMENT AGE
OF BOSTON POLICE OFFICERS.

>> COUNCILLOR FLAHERTY, YOU HAVE
THE FLOOR.

>> THANK YOU, THIS IS A REFILE
FROM THE END OF LAST YEAR.
REPRESENTING BASICALLY AN
EXPLORATORY OPPORTUNITY TO TAKE
A LOOK AT THE RETIREMENT AGE OF
BOSTON POLICE OFFICERS FOR OUR
CITY'S DEPARTMENT.

AS WE KNOW, IT'S MANDATORY AT
AGE 65.

I'D LIKE TO TAKE THE OPPORTUNITY
TO EVALUATE HOW MANY OFFICERS
ARE APPROACHING RETIREMENT AGE.
I'M HERING THAT IS 300 AND 400.

THE TOTAL COST TO THE CITY AS
WELL AS THE EXPERIENCE IMPACT
AND WHAT GUIDELINES CAN BE
CONSIDERED TO INCREASE THE
RETIREMENT AGE.

2019, 65 MAKES SENSE.

MANY OF WHOM ARE RUNNING
MARATHONS, ET CETERA.

WE TALK ABOUT 67, COULD WE TALK
ABOUT 68, 69.

OUR OFFICER DOS A SIGNIFICANT
JOB.

THEY UNDERGO TRAINING THROUGHOUT
THEIR CAREERS.

THEY GAIN VALUABLE FIELD
EXPERIENCE, FAMILIARITY WITH OUR
NEIGHBORHOODS AND NURTURE
RELATIONSHIPS.

IT'S A BIG PART OF OUR COMMUNITY
POLICING SUCCESS.

YOU THINK ABOUT RANDALL
HALLSTAD, BEING 39 YEARS ON THE
JOB.

HE WANTED TO WORK BUT COULDN'T.

WE HAVE ONE APPROACHING REAL
SOON.
MADAM CLERK, DETECTIVE JIMMY
WISE.
PROBABLY ONE OF THE BEST IN THE
CITY.
HE'S APPROACHING 65.
HE DOESN'T WANT TO GO.
THEY'RE FORCING HIM TO GO.
THERE'S OTHER FOLKS THAT WE
KNOW, A GUY I KNOW, JACK CLONE
AND OTHERS THAT WERE READY TO GO
JUST BASED ON THEIR YEARS OF
SERVICE TO THE CITY.
I WANT TO SEE IF WE COULD HAVE
FLEX ABILITY.
LOOK FORWARD TO HAVING A
CONVERSATION WITH OUR
COMMISSIONER AND OUR BPPA, THE

DETECTIVE UNION TO SEE WHAT THEY
HAVE.
MANY JUST WANT TO RETIRE, BECOME
SNOW BIRDS, ET CETERA.
THERE'S OTHERS THAT HAVE
TREMENDOUS MORE THAT THEY WANT
TO DO FOR OUR DEPARTMENT.
I DON'T THINK WE SHOULD BE
HANDCUFFS FOR LACK OF A BETTER
WORD IN LOSING THE TALENT FOR
OUR CITY.
SO LOOK FORWARD TO A HEARING AND
LOOK FORWARD TO WORKING WITH MY
COLLEAGUE AND CO SPONSOR TO SEE
IF WE CAN GET A HEARING TO SEE
IF MAKES SENSE FOR US.
>> COUNCILLOR FLAHERTY,
COUNCILLOR FLYNN, YOU HAVE THE
FLOOR.
>> THANK YOU, MADAM PRESIDENT.
I WANT TO ECHO COUNCILLOR
FLAHERTY.
OUR OFFICERS HAVE MORE TO OFFER
THE CITY.
THEY HAVE GREAT EXPERIENCE,
GREAT EDUCATION, THEY LOVE
BOSTON.
THEY LOVE THE NEIGHBORHOODS AND
THE PEOPLE.
THEY STILL WANT TO CONTRIBUTE.
WHEN WE HAVE SOMEONE THAT CAN
MEET THE PHYSICAL REQUIREMENTS
AND ALL THE REQUIREMENTS OF THE
JOB, LET'S GIVE THEM AN

OPPORTUNITY TO CONTINUE SERVING
THE PEOPLE OF BOSTON.
THEY LOVE THE CITY.
THEY FEEL LIKE THEY'RE ABLE TO
MAKE A MEANINGFUL AND

SIGNIFICANT CONTRIBUTION TO THE
PEOPLE OF BOSTON.
THANK YOU COUNCILLOR FLAHERTY
FOR HIS LEADERSHIP ON THIS
ISSUE.

>> THANK YOU.

COUNCILLOR EDWARDS.

>> THANK VERY MUCH.

I WANT TO SAY JUST GOING ON THE
RECORD, I HAVE MIXED EMOTIONS
ABOUT THIS.

I'M LOOKING FORWARD TO THE
CONVERSATION TO HAVE.

IT COULD BE BECAUSE I'M FURTHER
AWAY FROM 65 THAN SOME OTHER
FOLKS.

I MAY BE BIASSED IN MY
UNDERSTANDING.

I'LL ACKNOWLEDGE THAT THAT MIGHT
BE FEEDING MY UNDERSTANDING.

BUT THERE'S ALSO PART OF THIS
CONVERSATION, THE POLICE
RESOURCES AND PERSONNEL IN
GENERAL THAT WE NEED TO HAVE A
CONVERSATION.

WE'RE TRYING TO FILL POLICE
DETAIL.

MAYBE IT'S MY IGNORANCE.

I THOUGHT WE WERE USING RETIRED
POLICE OFFICERS TO COME BACK AND
DEAL WITH THE TRAFFIC AND DETAIL
POSITIONS.

I THOUGHT THAT THAT WAS
HAPPENING.

I ACTUALLY THOUGHT WHEN THEY
REACHED A CERTAIN AGE, WE WERE
GOING BACK TO THEM TO BRING THEM
BACK.

SO I LOOK FORWARD TO THIS
CONVERSATION.

HOW WE CAN USE THEM, HELP FILL
THE POSITIONS.

I KNOW WE'RE PAYING -- TRYING TO
PAY FOR DETAILS IN CHARLESTON
RIGHT NOW.

WILLING TO PAY FOUR POSITIONS ON
A DAILY BASIS TO MOVE FOLKS AND

THEY'RE NOT FILLED.
SO THEY WENT TO THE SHERIFF'S
OFFICE AND NOW THEY'RE GOING TO
THE MBTA.
SO I LOOK FORWARD TO JUST IN
GENERAL TALKING ABOUT HOW WE
MOST EFFICIENTLY USE OUR POLICE
PERSONNEL AND GETTING PEOPLE TO
COME IN AND FILL THOSE POSITIONS
AS WELL.
THANK YOU SO MUCH FOR YOUR
LEADERSHIP.
I LOOK FORWARD TO THIS
CONVERSATION.

>> YES.
>> MADAM CLERK, IF YOU COULD ADD
COUNCILLOR EDWARDS NAMES AS WELL
AS COUNCILLOR BAKER, COUNCILLOR
CIOMMO, COUNCILLOR SAAB GEORGE,
COUNCILLOR GARRISON, COUNCILLOR
JANEY AS WELL AS THE CHAIR.
DOCKET NUMBER 0609 WILL BE
ASSIGNED TO THE COMMITTEE ON
PUBLIC SAFETY AND CRIMINAL
JUSTICE.

I'M INFORMED BY THE CLERK
THERE'S ZERO LATE FILE MATTERS.
ANYONE WISHING TO REMOVE A
MATTER FROM THE GREEN SHEETS?
NOPE.

MOVING ALONG.
I AM INFORMED BY THE CLERK THAT
THERE IS ONE LATE FILE MATTER
WHICH IN THE ABSENCE OF
OBJECTION WILL BE ADDED TO THE
CONSENT AGENDA.
HEARING AND SEEING NO
OBJECTIONS, THE LATE-FILE MATTER
IS ADDED.

THE CHAIR MOVES FOR ADOPTION
HOFF THE CONSENT AGENDA.
ALL IN FAVOR SAY AYE.
ALL OPPOSED SAY NEY.
THE AYES HAVE IT.
THE CONSENT AGENDA HAS BEEN

ADOPTED.
ANY ANNOUNCEMENTS?

>> YES.
WE HAVE A LUNCH TODAY.
WE HAVE BRAZILIAN FOOD FROM EAST
BOSTON, WHICH IS GOING TO BE
VERY FLAVORFUL.
OUR GUEST SPEAKER IS ROCCA.

A HUGE PROPONENT WORKING IN OUR COURT SYSTEM.

SO I INVITE YOU ALL TO COME TO THE LUNCH TODAY.

>> THANK YOU, COUNCILLOR EDWARDS.

COUNCILLOR BAKER.

>> THANK YOU, MADAM PRESIDENT.

I JUST WANT TO WISH OUR CITY CLERK, YESTERDAY WAS HER BIRTHDAY.

I THINK SHE WAS 33, MAUREEN?

[APPLAUSE]

AND ACKNOWLEDGE HER ON HER WORK AND HER COMMITMENT TO THE CITY.

IT'S PEOPLE LIKE MAUREEN THAT HAVE MADE THIS CITY WHAT WE HAVE NOW.

THANK YOU AND HAPPY BIRTHDAY.

>> THANK YOU SO MUCH, COUNCILLOR BAKER.

[APPLAUSE]

HAPPY BIRTHDAY TO OUR GREAT CLERK.

ANYONE HAVE ANYMORE ANNOUNCEMENTS?

ALL RIGHT.

I WOULD LIKE ALL GUESTS TO PLEASE RISE AND STAFF AS WELL.

COUNCILLORS.

AS WE ADJOURN TODAY'S MEETING IN THE MEMORY OF THE FOLLOWING INDIVIDUALS.

FOR COUNCILLOR FLAHERTY AND FLYNN, MARGARET KING.

FOR COUNCILLOR JANEY AND THE CHAIR, HERMIAS AZEDONE.

FOR COUNCILLOR CIOMMO, ROBERT GREEN, DONNA MARIE CREOLE.

FOR COUNCILLOR O'MALLEY AS WELL AS THE ENTIRE COUNCIL, FORMER BOSTON CITY COUNCILLOR TOM KEEN'S WIFE, LORI FERRELL.

A MOMENT OF SILENCE, PLEASE.

THANK YOU.

THE CHAIR MOVES THAT WHEN THE COUNCIL ADJOURNS TODAY, IT DOES SO IN THE MEMORY OF THOSE INDIVIDUALS.

WE'RE SCHEDULED TO MEET HERE WEDNESDAY, APRIL AT 12 NOON.

THE COUNCIL IS ADJOURNED.