

**“I HAVE  
NEVER  
RECEIVED ANYTHING  
BAD FROM  
BOSTON.  
ONLY GOOD THINGS.”**

THAT'S WHY  
I LOVE, LOVE  
BOSTON!



**MARIA**

**CAME TO BOSTON  
IN 1995 FROM**

**HONDURAS.**

**SHE IS 82  
YEARS YOUNG.**

I GREW UP IN  
SAN PEDRO SULA,  
THE SECOND BIGGEST  
CITY IN HONDURAS.



**IN HONDURAS,  
MARIA  
WORKED AS A  
NURSE  
ASSISTANT.**

I DID IT FOR  
40 YEARS!



**HER DAUGHTER  
LEFT HONDURAS IN**

**1965**

**TO ATTEND SCHOOL  
IN THE  
UNITED STATES.**

FOR 30 YEARS, I ONLY  
SAW MY DAUGHTER ONCE A  
YEAR WHEN SHE VISITED  
ME IN HONDURAS.





**HER DAUGHTER  
SUBMITTED  
MARIA'S  
IMMIGRATION  
PAPERWORK IN THE  
1990'S.**

I WORKED BACK  
AND FORTH FOR  
TWO YEARS—



**"SIX MONTHS  
IN HONDURAS,  
SIX MONTHS  
IN THE U.S.,  
SO THAT I COULD  
KEEP MY HONDURAN  
RETIREMENT."**

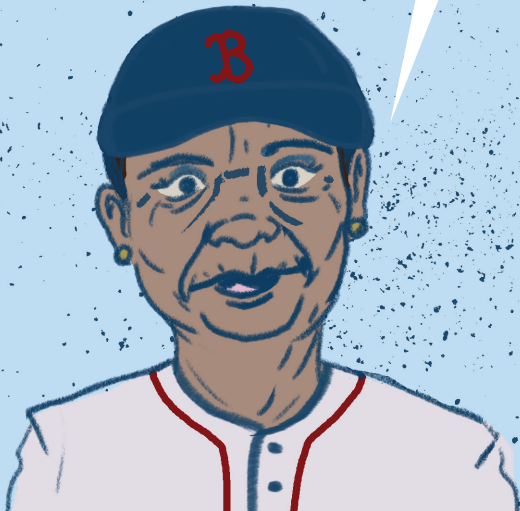
I WAS IN BETWEEN  
HERE AND THERE—

BETWEEN MY PAST  
AND MY FUTURE.



**MARIA  
EVENTUALLY  
RETIRED AND  
CAME TO  
BOSTON  
TO LIVE WITH  
HER DAUGHTER.**

NOW I'VE LIVED  
IN SOUTHIE FOR  
SIXTEEN YEARS.



**DURING HER  
TIME HERE,  
MARIA  
HAS COME TO  
UNDERSTAND  
WHY SHE  
LOVES THIS CITY  
SO MUCH.**

IT'S NOT LIKE  
BACK HOME. IT'S VERY  
DIFFERENT HERE!.





**"YOU GO TO A  
CHURCH,  
YOU GET FOOD.**

**YOU GO TO A  
HOSPITAL,  
YOU DON'T GET  
TURNED AWAY."**

DOORS ARE  
ALWAYS OPEN FOR  
YOU IN BOSTON.

