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>> GOOD AFTERNOON.

MADAM CLERK, IF YOU COULD PLEASE  
CALL THE ROLL TO ASCERTAIN A  
QUORUM.

>> COUNCILLOR BAKER.

>> HERE.

THERE COUNCILLOR CAMPBELL.

>> HERE.

>> COUNCILLOR CIOMMO.  
COUNCILLOR EDWARDS.

>> HERE.

>> COUNCILLOR ESSAIBI-GEORGE.

COUNCILLOR FLAHERTY.

COUNCILLOR FLYNN.

COUNCILLOR PRESSLEY.

>> PRESENT.

>> COUNCILLOR WU.

>> PRESENT.

>> COUNCILLOR IS A ZAKIM.

>> WE HAVE A FORUM.

>> ININFORMED BY THE CLERK THAT  
A QUORUM IS PRESENT.

I'D LIKE ALL COLLEAGUES AND  
GUESTS TO RISE.

OUR LOVELY MADAM CLERK WILL COME  
AND GIVE THE INVOCATION.

AFTER INVOCATION IF YOU'LL  
REMAIN STANDING AS MADAM CLERK  
LEADS US IN THE PLEDGE OF  
ALLEGIANCE.

>> GOOD AFTERNOON.

SPIRIT OF LIFE AND LOVE WHICH  
MOVES THROUGH US AND THROUGH ALL  
THE WORLD, MAY WE THIS DAY BE  
GRATEFUL FOR THE GIFT OF LIFE  
WHICH IS OURS REMEMBERING  
TONIGHT AND ALWAYS THAT THE LIFE  
WE HAVE AND HOLD IS TO US A  
MYSTERY AND PRECIOUS.

MAY WE THIS DAY BE REMINDED OF  
THE RESPONSIBILITIES WE CARRY,  
NOT SO THAT WE ARE INTIMIDATED  
OR OVERWHELMED, BUT SO THAT WE  
MAY BE TRUE TO THEM SO THAT WE  
MAY BE FAITHFUL IN CARRYING THEM  
FORWARD.

MAY WE THIS DAY MAINTAIN A SENSE  
OF PERSPECTIVE, REMEMBERING WHO  
WE ARE, ENGAGING IN THE TASKS AT

HAND, BUT UNDERSTANDING OUR  
LIMITATIONS AND UNDERSTANDING  
OUR OWN SHORTCOMINGS.

FORGIVING OURSELVES AND OTHERS  
IF WE FALL SHORT OF PERFECTION.

MAYBE WE THIS DAY BE INSPIRED,  
BE FILLED WITH NEW BREATH, BE  
FILLED WITH NEW ENTHUSIASM, BE  
READY TO SEE FRESH OPPORTUNITY,  
NEW PERSPECTIVES, UNNOTICED  
AVENUES FOR ACTION AND  
RESOLUTION.

AND MAY WE THIS DAY REMEMBER  
THOSE VIRTUES AND BLESS OUR  
LIVES AND BLESS THE LIVES OF  
OTHERS.

THE VIRTUES OF CARING AND  
CONCERN AND THE VIRTUES OF  
HONESTY AND RESPECT AND THE  
VIRTUES OF PATIENCE.

MAY THE MEMBERS OF THIS BOSTON  
CITY COUNCIL MAINTAIN A HIGH  
SENSE OF THEIR CALLING.

MAY THEY REMEMBER THAT THEY ARE  
INVESTED HERE WITH HONOR AND  
CALLED TO A WIDER VISION OF THE  
WORLD.

A WORLD MADE MORE FAIR, MORE  
JUST, MORE EQUITABLE BY THEIR  
EFFORTS.

AMEN.

>> AMEN.

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

>> I'M SORRY ABOUT THAT.

SO BEFORE I CALL UP COUNCILLOR  
PRESSLEY, I WANT TO ACKNOWLEDGE  
A COUPLE FOLKS IN THE CHAMBER.

FIRST, I WANT TO START WITH  
JULIE FROM MOTHER CAROLINE.

WHEREAS THIS MORNING SHE DOES  
INCREDIBLE WORK AS A DORCHESTER  
RESIDENT.

THANKS FOR THE WORK YOU DO,  
MOTHER CAROLINE.

[APPLAUSE]

AND I WANTED TO ACKNOWLEDGE WE  
HAVE THE AKAs IN THE BUILDING  
LED BY ASHLEY BROWN.

THEY CAME TO BE PARTNERS IN THE

WORK AND TALK ABOUT CIVIC EBB  
-- ENGAGEMENT.

THANK YOU FOR THE INCREDIBLE  
WORK YOU DO.

FOR THE WORK NOT JUST IN YOUR  
PERSONAL LIVES BUT  
PROFESSIONALLY TO SERVE OUR  
COMMUNITIES.

THANKS FOR JOINING THE COUNCIL.  
COUNCILLOR PRESSLEY HAS A  
SPECIAL PRESENTATION.

>> GOOD AFTERNOON, EVERYONE.  
I'M SO DELIGHTED TO BE HERE.  
I WAS AT AN EVENT RECENTLY IN  
EAST BOSTON.

I LEARNED ABOUT A CLASS OF  
GRADUATES FROM A FEDERATION FOR  
CHILDREN WITH SPECIAL NEEDS.  
AND I WAS SO IMPRESSED WITH WHAT  
I HAD HEARD ABOUT THE PROGRAM  
MODEL THAT I WANTED TO INTRODUCE  
THEM TO THE REST OF THE COUNCIL  
FOR THOSE OF YOU THAT MIGHT NOT  
BE FAMILIAR.

I WANT TO THANK CLAUDIA SIERRA  
FOR WORKING WITH ME TO ARRANGE  
THIS PRESENTATION THIS MORNING.  
SO WHO IS STANDING BEFORE US --  
IS IT EVERYONE IN THE CLASS?

OKAY.

SO MOST OF THE CLASS.

THIS IS THE FIRST COHORT FOR THE  
LATINO PARENT LEADERSHIP PROGRAM  
TO GRADUATE WITHIN THE  
FEDERATION FOR CHILDREN WITH  
SPECIAL NEEDS, THIS TRAINING WAS  
CALLED THE LATINO PARENT  
LEADERSHIP PROGRAM, POPSL.  
THE PROGRAM IS OF EXTREME  
IMPORTANCE.

WE KNOW THAT EVERY PARENT IS  
THEIR CHILD'S FIRST EDUCATOR AND  
ALSO THEIR BEST ADVOCATE.

SO THE POINT OF THIS PROGRAM IS  
TO EQUIP PARENTS WITH THE SKILLS  
AND THE BEST PRACTICES, TO  
BETTER ENGAGE THE PROFESSIONALS  
WHO TEACH, WHO SERVICE, WHO  
SUPPORT THEIR CHILDREN WITH  
SPECIAL NEEDS.

AND THERE ARE 30 PARTICIPANTS  
THAT GRADUATED IN THE FIRST  
COHORT ON OCTOBER 24th,  
WEDNESDAY.

SO CONGRATULATIONS.  
AND WE'RE SO APPRECIATIVE OF  
THIS INNOVATIVE MODEL, WHICH  
SUPPORTS CULTURAL COMPETENCY IN  
SUPPORTING THE PARENTS PROVIDING  
INFORMATION, SUPPORT AND  
ASSISTANCE TO THESE PARENTS WITH  
CHILDREN WITH SPECIAL NEEDS.  
AND TO SUPPORT THEM AND  
PROFESSIONAL PARTNERSHIP AND IN  
COMMUNITY.  
WHAT I LOVE ABOUT THIS IS THAT  
THE CORE TENANT OF THE  
FEDERATIONS MISSION IS TO  
ACTIVELY LISTEN.  
AND TO BE LED IN THEIR WORK AND  
IN THEIR ADVOCACY AND IN THEIR  
PRIORITIES BY THE VOICES OF THE  
FAMILIES MOST IMPACTED.  
I'VE ALWAYS BELIEVED THAT THE  
BEST MODELS ARE THOSE THAT ARE  
COMMUNITY DRIVEN AND GOVERNMENT  
ENDORSED.  
SO HERE'S ONE THAT IS COMMUNITY  
DRIVEN AND THIS AFTERNOON WE  
OFFICIALLY ENDORSE THEM AND  
CONGRATULATE THEM ON THEIR FIRST  
COHORT.  
WOULD OLGA OR CLAUDIA LIKE TO  
SAY A FEW WORDS?  
GREAT.  
>> THANK YOU FOR HAVING US HERE.  
WE ARE VERY EXCITED THAT WE ARE  
HERE.  
THIS IS A PROJECT FOR US TO  
SUPPORT.  
ONE OF THE THINGS, THE FAMILIES  
HERE, PARENTS LIVE IN THE  
COMMUNITY.  
THEY KNOW EXACTLY WHAT HAPPENED  
WITH FAMILIES IN BOSTON AND  
MASSACHUSETTS.  
SO WE WANT TO CONTINUE TO I'M  
POWTER FAMILIES, WORKING WITH  
THEM CLOSELY, SUPPORTING THEM  
AND CONTINUE THEIR WORK WITH THE  
LATINO COMMUNITY.  
>> THANK YOU.  
CONGRATULATIONS.  
[APPLAUSE]  
>> I'M GOING TO INVITE UP  
COUNCILLOR EDWARDS WHO HAS  
ANOTHER SPECIAL PRESENTATION.  
>> SO ALONG WITH THE INCREDIBLE

SUPPORT AND THE LEADERSHIP THAT WE'VE SEEN AND OUR PARENTS, I WANTED TO ALSO RECOGNIZE IN EAST BOSTON SPECIFICALLY THE INCREDIBLE SCHOOL AND LEADERSHIP OF THE DONALD McKAY PRINCIPAL,

JORDAN WYMER AND THE FAMILY OF INDIVIDUALS.

THIS GRANT IS NOT JUST THE ABILITY TO BRING BACK RESOURCES, BUT REALLY A DEMONSTRATION THAT THE SCHOOL AND THE COMMUNITY HAS RISEN TO THE OCCASION UNDER THE LEADERSHIP AND CREATING A COMMUNITY TO MAKE SURE THAT OUR KIDS FEEL WELCOME, SUPPORTED AND LIVED.

95% OF THE KIDS SPEAKING -- NOT SPEAKING ENGLISH AS A NATIVE LANGUAGE AND BEING ABLE TO RISE TO THIS OCCASION TO BECOME ONE OF THE TOP SCHOOLS IN EAST BOSTON, IF NOT BOSTON, IS BY FAR ONE OF THE TESTAMENTS TO THE INCREDIBLE PUBLIC SCHOOL SYSTEM WE HAVE AND THE LEADERSHIP. SO TODAY I WANTED TO PRESENT THIS CITATION TO THEM.

I WANTED TO GIVE THEM AN OPPORTUNITY TO SPEAK SOME WORDS, BUT I WANTED TO MAKE SURE THAT WE AS A CITY COUNCIL REPRESENTED THE FOLKS IN THE TRENCHES ALONG WITH OUR PARENTS THAT ARE EDUCATING OUR STUDENTS, WORKING WITH THE RESOURCES THEY HAVE, ACCEPTING CHILDREN AS THEY COME AND MAKING SURE THAT THEY CAN LEAD AND GROW TO THE POTENTIAL THAT THEY DESERVE.

I WANTED TO THANK YOU SO MUCH ON BEHALF OF THE CITY COUNCIL. WE'LL PRESENT THIS CITATION TO YOU AND INVITE YOU TO SPEAK SOME WORDS.

>> THANK YOU.

[APPLAUSE]

>> THANK YOU SO MUCH.

I THINK IT'S A TESTAMENT TO THE INCREDIBLE WORK OF OUR STUDENTS AND FAMILIES, THE SUPPORT WE RECEIVE FROM THE MAYOR AND SUPERINTENDENT AND COUNCILPERSON

INWARDS AND BEFORE HER,

COUNCILPERSON LA MATINA.

WE'RE VERY PROUD OF THE WORK

WE'VE DONE AS A SCHOOL.

I'M SORRY.

I'M JOANNE THOMAS.

I'M A FIRST GRADE TEACHER AT THE

McKAY.

WE'RE EXTREMELY PROUD OF THIS

AWARD.

WE WORKED REALLY HARD.

WE'RE THANKFUL FOR THE MONEY.

IT WILL GO A LONG WAY.

BUT MOST OF ALL FOR THE

RECOGNITION OF THE HARD WORK

THAT WE'VE DONE.

THANK YOU.

[APPLAUSE]

>> THANK YOU VERY MUCH.

COME TAKE A PICTURE.

>> BEFORE I MOVE ON TO THE

REGULAR BORING BUSINESS OF THE

COUNCIL, YOU KNOW, WE WOULD BE

REMISSED IF WE DIDN'T TAKE A

MOMENT TO CELEBRATE THAT VICTORY

THAT IS ON THE COVER OF THAT

METRO.

OUR COLLEAGUE, COUNCILLOR AYANNA

PRESSLEY AND HER INCREDIBLE

VICTORY.

[APPLAUSE]

AND YOUR WORK FROM THE BODY AND

THE WORK THAT WILL COME, OF

COURSE.

THANK YOU AND THANK YOU TO YOUR

TEAM AND CONGRATULATIONS.

NOW MOVING ON TO THE OTHER

STUFF, A PROAL OF THE MINUTES.

THE MINUTES OF THE LAST MEETING

WILL STAND APPROVED.

SEEING AND HEARING NO OBJECTION,

THE MINUTES ARE SO APPROVED.

MOVING ON TO COMMUNICATIONS FROM

HIS HONOR THE MAYOR.

>> DOCKET NUMBER 1612.

MESSAGE AND ORDER FOR YOUR

APPROVAL OF AN ORDER AUTHORIZING

THE CITY OF BOSTON TO

APPROPRIATE THE AMOUNT OF

\$6,500,000 FROM THE CITY'S

CAPITAL GRANT FUND TO ADDRESS

THE TRANSPORTATION NETWORK SERVICES ON MUNICIPAL ROADS, BRIDGES AND OTHER TRANSPORTATION INFRASTRUCTURE OR ANY OTHER PUBLIC PURPOSE SUBSTANTIALLY RELATED TO THE OPERATION OF TRANSPORTATION NETWORKS, SERVICES IN THE CITY OF BOSTON.

>> DOCKET NUMBER 1612 WILL BE ASSIGNED TO THE COMMITTEE ON WAYS AND MEANS.

>> DOCKET NUMBER 1613.

MESSAGE AND ORDER AUTHORIZING THE CITY OF BOSTON TO ACCEPT AND EXTENT AN AMOUNT OF \$966,932 IN THE FORM OF THE FS-19 SUPPORTIVE SERVICED AWARDED BY THE U.S. DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES.

TO BE ADMINISTERED BY THE ELDERLY COMMISSION.

THE GRANT WILL FUND THE COORDINATED HOUSE AND SOCIAL SERVICE SYSTEM WHICH ASSISTS ELDERS TO MAINTAIN INDEPENDENT LIVING IN THEIR COMMUNITY AS LONG AS DESIRED.

>> COUNCILLOR PRESSLEY, YOU HAVE THE FLOOR.

>> THANK YOU, MADAM CLERK.

I RISE TO ASK THAT WE SUSPEND THE RULES AND EXTEND THE STATED AMOUNT FOR THE FY-19 TITLE B SUPPORTED SERVICES.

THIS FUND WILL ALLOW THE BOSTON ELDERLY COMMISSION TO SUPPORT PROGRAMS THAT DEAL WITH HEALTH AND SOCIAL SERVICES.

THIS WILL HELP 60-YEAR-OLDS AND OLDER FIND THE HEALTHCARE AND ACHIEVE THE DESIRED SOCIAL AND EXPERIENCE IN COMMUNITY THAT THEY DESIRE.

THE FUNDS WILL HAVE THE MUCH-NEEDED INVESTMENT TO ALLOW THE ELDERLY TO LIVE AND AGE IN COMMUNITY AND PLACE WHERE THEY GREW UP AND WITH THE FAMILIES THEY LOVE.

IT'S HOLISTIC IN ITS APPROACH AND SOCIAL AND EMOTIONAL AND ECONOMICAL SERVICES AND ENGAGES THE POPULATION OF 60 AND OVER.

WE WANT THIS PROGRAM TO CALL THE

CITY OF BOSTON ITS HOME.

AS CHAIR, I MOVE TO SUSPEND THE  
RULES AND EXPEND DOCKET 1613  
TODAY.

>> THANK YOU.

AT THIS TIME COUNCILLOR PRESSLEY  
WHO CHAIRS THE COMMITTEE MOVES  
TO SUSPEND THE RULES.

>> DOCKET NUMBER 1614.

MESSAGE AND ORDER FOR YOUR  
APPROVAL, A DECLARATION OF TRUST  
ENTITLED THE MAKE BOSTON SHINE  
TRUST FUND, THIS IS FOR THE  
PUBLIC HEALTH, SAFETY AND  
CONVENIENCE AND WELFARE BY  
ENCOURAGING CIVIC ENGAGEMENT,  
UNITY AND A SENSE OF  
NEIGHBORHOOD PRIDE AND OWNERSHIP  
THROUGH SERVICE PROJECTS TO  
BEAUTIFY.

>> TAKE A QUICK RECESS.

>> THANK YOU.

JUST WANTED TO GET  
CLARIFICATION.

SO DOCKET NUMBER 1614 WILL BE  
ASSIGN TOPPED THE COMMITTEE ON  
WAYS AND MEANS.

MADAM PRESIDENT, WOULD YOU LIKE  
ME TO READ DOCKET NUMBER 1614  
AND 1616 TOGETHER?

>> ACTUALLY, LET'S DO 1615 AND  
THEN WE'LL DO 1616 SEPARATELY.

>> THANK YOU.

DOCKET NUMBER 1615, MESSAGE AND  
ORDER AUTHORIZING THE CITY OF  
BOSTON TO ACCEPT AND EXTEND AN  
AMOUNT OF \$78,984 IN THE FORM OF  
A GRANT TITLE 3-D PREVENTATIVE  
HEALTH AWARDED BY THE U.S.  
DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN  
SERVICES.

PASSES THROUGH THE MASS  
EXECUTIVE OFFICE OF ELDER  
AFFAIRS TO BE ADMINISTERED BY  
THE ELDERLY COMMISSION.  
THE GRANT WILL FUND INFORMATION  
AND SERVICES TO IMPROVE THE  
HEALTH OF SENIORS IN BOSTON.

>> COUNCILLOR PRESSLEY, YOU HAVE  
THE FLOOR.

>> THANK YOU.

THIS GRANT IS SIMILAR IN SCOPE  
TO THE LAST GRANT WE JUST MOVED  
ON.



IT WILL TARGET ENDING  
ALZHEIMER'S AND PROVIDING  
COMPANIONS TO SENIORS LIVING  
WITH ALZHEIMERS TO HEALTHCARE  
APPOINTMENTS AND THE LIKE.  
AS A CHAIR, I MOVE TO SUSPEND  
THE RULES TO ACCEPT THIS GRANT  
TODAY.

>> THANK YOU, COUNCILLOR  
PRESSLEY.

COUNCILLOR PRESSLEY, THE CHAIR  
OF THE COMMITTEE ON HEALTHY  
WOMEN FAMILIES AND COMMUNITIES  
SEEKS SUSPENSION OF THE RULES.

ALL IN FAVOR SAY AYE.

ALL OPPOSED SAY NEY.

THE AYES HAVE IT.

DOCKET NUMBER 1615 HAS BEEN  
PASSED.

>> DOCKET NUMBER 1616, MESSAGE  
AND ORDER AUTHORIZING THE CITY  
OF BOSTON TO ACCEPT A DONATION  
OF \$30,000 WORTH OF KITS FROM  
AETNA VIA THE BOSTON PUBLIC  
HEALTH COMBINATION.

BPHC STAFF WILL ENGAGE IN A  
SERIES OF OVERDOSE PREVENTION  
TRAINING WITH STAFF FROM THE  
CITY'S PROPERTY MANAGEMENT  
DEPARTMENT, INSPECTIONAL  
SERVICES DEPARTMENT, PARKS AND  
RECREATION DEPARTMENT AND THE  
BOSTON FIRE DEPARTMENT.

THE TRAINING WILL BE PART OF A  
PILOT PROGRAM THAT CITY  
ENVISIONS EXPANDING TO OTHER  
CITY DEPARTMENTS SO THAT STAFF  
ARE TRAINED IN OVERDOSE  
PREVENTION AND HAVE ACCESS TO  
OVERDOSE REVERSAL KITS.

>> COUNCILLOR McCARTHY.

>> I RISE ON BEHALF OF MY CHAIR  
OF THE COMMITTEE, COUNCILLOR  
ESSAIBI-GEORGE.

SHE'S UNDER THE WEATHER.

I'D LIKE TO SUSPEND AND PASS

DOCKET NUMBER 1616.

STRAIGHTFORWARD.

\$30,000 OF NARCAN KITS AND GET  
THEM GOING AS SOON AS POSSIBLE.

>> THANK YOU, COUNCILLOR

McCARTHY.

ON BEHALF OF THE CHAIR OF THE

COMMITTEE ON HOMELESSNESS, MEN  
DENTAL -- MENTAL HEALTH AND  
RECOVERY, ASK FOR SUSPENSION OF  
THE RULES.

ALL IN FAVOR SAY AYE.

ALL OPPOSED SAY NEY.

THE MOTION HAS BEEN PASSED.

>> DOCKET NUMBER 1617.

MESSAGE AND ORDER TO REDUCE THE  
FY-19 APPROPRIATION FOR THE  
RESERVE FOR COLLECTIVE  
BARGAINING BY \$16,077 TO PROVIDE  
FUNDING FOR THE FY-19 INCREASE  
CONTAINED WITHIN THE COLLECTIVE  
BARGAINING AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE  
BOSTON SCHOOLS COMMITTEE AND  
AFSCME'S COUNCIL 93 LOCAL 230 A  
OF THE STORE KEEPERS.

DOCKET NUMBER 1618, MESSAGE AND  
ORDER APPROVING A SUPPLEMENTAL  
APPROPRIATION OF \$16,077 TO THE  
BOSTON PUBLIC SCHOOLS FY-19 TO  
COVER THE FY-19 COST CONTAINED  
WITHIN THE COLLECTIVE BARGAINING  
AGREEMENTS BETWEEN THE BOSTON  
SCHOOL COMMITTEE AND AFSCME  
COUNCIL 93 LOCAL 238 STORE  
KEEPERS.

THE TERMS OF THE CONTRACT ARE  
SEPTEMBER 1, 2016 THROUGH AUGUST  
31, 2017 AND SEPTEMBER 12017  
THROUGH AUGUST 31, 2020.

MAJOR PROVISIONS OF THE CONTRACT  
INCLUDE BASE WAGE INCREASES OF  
2%.

EFFECTIVE THE FIRST PAY PERIOD  
OF DECEMBER OF EACH FISCAL YEAR.  
THE AGREEMENTS WILL CONTAINED  
OTHER BENEFITS.

AS ORIGINALLY PRESENTED TO YOU,  
THE FY-19 BUDGET REQUEST  
INCLUDED A RESERVE FOR  
COLLECTIVE BARGAINING.

A SECOND APPROPRIATION TO FUND  
INCREASES.

>> COUNCILLOR FLYNN, YOU HAVE  
THE FLOOR.

>> THANK YOU.

THESE CONCERN AN APPROPRIATION  
FOR THE COLLECTIVE BARGAINING  
AGREEMENT FOR THE BOSTON SCHOOL  
COMMITTEE AND AFSCME COUNCIL  
LOCAL 230 A.

DOCKET 16 AND 17 TRANSFERS THE

FUNDS FROM THE COLLECTIVE BARGAINING RESERVE AND DOCKET 1618 AUTHORIZES THE USE OF THOSE FUNDS THE PAY FOR THE CONTRACT. THE BARGAINING UNION IS MADE UP OF FIVE MEMBERS OF THE SCHOOLS. THERE'S AN ESTIMATED COST OF \$57,000 OVER THE FOUR-YEAR PERIOD.

LANGUAGE ITEMS FOR THIS CONTRACT INCLUDE ENTITLEMENT FOR THE CITY'S PAID PARENTAL LEAVE BENEFIT, COMPENSATION AND OTHER COST ITEMS INCLUDE THE 2% WAGE INCREASE EFFECTIVE IN DECEMBER OF EACH YEAR OF THE CONTRACT, A MONTHLY CONTRIBUTION TO THE UNION'S PREPAID LEGAL SERVICES FUND AND AN INCREASE IN THE CITY'S CONTRIBUTION FOR THE UNION'S HOUSING TRUST.

THE SUPPLEMENTAL APPROPRIATION THAT WE'RE AUTHORIZING FOR THE AGREEMENT IS \$60,077.

THE COMMITTEE ON WAYS AND MEANS HAS HELD FOUR HEARINGS ON COLLECTIVE BARGAINING AGREEMENTS SINCE THE BEGINNING OF THE CALENDAR YEAR.

THIS AGREEMENT IS SIMILAR FOLLOWING SIMILAR POLICY LANGUAGE CHANGES, COST ITEMS, STEP A INCREASES AND WAGE INCREASE SCHEDULE THAT WE HAVE SEEN BEFORE.

THEREFORE CHAIRMAN OF WAYS AND MEANS, I RECOMMEND PASSAGE OF THESE TWO DOCKETS.

>> AT THIS TIME COUNCILLOR CIOMMO WHO IS THE CHAIRMAN OF THE WAYS AND MEANS SEEKS SUSPENSION OF THE RULES AND PASSAGE OF DOCKET NUMBER 1617 THROUGH 1618.

WE'LL TAKE THEM SEPARATELY.

ALL IN FAVOR SAY AYE.

ALL OPPOSED SAY NEY.

THE AYES HAVE IT.

FOR DOCKET NUMBER 1618, ALL IN FAVOR SAY AYE.

ALL OPPOSED SAY NEY.

THE AYES HAVE IT.

DOCKET NUMBER 1618 HAS BEEN PASSED.

>> DOCKET NUMBER 1619, MESSAGE AND ORDER AUTHORIZING THE CITY OF BOSTON TO ACCEPT AND EXPEND AN AMOUNT OF \$14,765.50.

IN THE FORM OF A GRANT TITLE 3-D PREVENTATIVE HEALTH.

THIS WILL BE ADMINISTERED BY THE ELDERLY COMMISSION.

THE GRANT WILL FUND INFORMATION AND SERVICES TO IMPROVE THE HEALTH OF SENIORS FROM BOSTON.

THIS COMES FROM SUPPLEMENTS AND PRELIMINARY FY-17 ALLOCATION REFERENCED IN DOCKET 0142 WITH THE FINAL FY-17 ALLOCATION OF \$12,544 PLUS \$2,221.56 CARRIED OVER FROM 2017.

>> COUNCILLOR PRESSLEY, YOU HAVE THE FLOOR.

>> THIS IS THE THIRD GRANT TODAY THAT I'M MOVING TO SUSPEND AND PASS, ALSO SIMILAR IN SCOPE.

YOU CAN SEE THE RECURRING THEM HERE.

THE HEALTH OF OUR ELDERS, WHICH IS GROWING.

SO IT'S CRITICAL THAT WE CONTINUE TO MAKE THE INVESTMENT TO MEET THE CAPACITY OF THE NEED.

WE WANT TO MAKE SURE THAT OUR ELDERS ARE AGING AND DOING IT WITH DIGNITY AND IN GOOD HEALTH.

SO THIS IS ONE MORE GRANT TO SUPPORT THAT.

AS THE CHAIR OF THE COMMITTEE ON HEALTHY WOMEN AND COMMUNITIES, I MOVE TO SUSPEND AND PASS.

>> AT THIS TIME COUNCILLOR PRESSLEY SEEKS SUSPENSION OF THE RULES AND PASSAGE OF DOCKET NUMBER 1619.

ALL IN FAVOR SAY AYE.

ALL OPPOSED SAY NEY.

THE AYES HAVE IT.

DOCKET NUMBER 1619 HAS BEEN PASSED.

>> DOCKET NUMBER 1620, MESSAGE AND ORDER AUTHORIZING THE OFFICE TO ACCEPT A DONATION OF TWO WOODEN CITY SEALS FROM THE MASSACHUSETTS COLLEGE OF ART AND DESIGN.

THE SEAL WILL BE LASER CUT BY

STUDENT TECHNICIANS.

THE SEAL WILL BE USED DAILY IN  
CITY PROGRAMS AS PART OF THE  
MAYOR'S PODIUM IN FURTHERANCE OF  
OUR EFFORT TO CONTINUE  
SUPPORTING THE DEVELOPMENT OF  
THE LOCAL CREATIVE ECONOMY.

>> COUNCILLOR JANEY?

>> THANK YOU, MADAM PRESIDENT.  
AS THE CHAIR OF THE ARTS  
COMMITTEE, I RECOMMEND  
SUSPENSION AND PASSAGE OF THIS  
DOCKET.

IT'S SELF-EXPLANATORY.

IT'S A DONATION OF TWO WOODEN  
SEALS THAT WOULD BE LASER CUT BY  
STUDENTS.

HELPS OUR EFFORTS IN PROMOTING  
AND SUPPORTING THE LOCAL  
CREATIVE ECONOMY AS THE CLERK  
HAS ALREADY STATED.

SO WITH THAT, I HOPE THAT  
EVERYONE WOULD VOTE IN FAVOR OF  
PASSAGE.

THANK YOU.

>> THANK YOU, COUNCILLOR JANEY.  
COUNCILLOR JANEY, THE CHAIR OF  
THE COMMITTEE ON ARTS, CULTURE  
AND SPECIAL EVENTS SEEKS  
SUSPENSION OF THE RULES AND  
PASSAGE OF DOCKET NUMBER 1620.

ALL IN FAVOR SAY AYE.

ALL OPPOSED SAY NEY.

THE AYES HAVE IT.

MOVING ON TO REPORTS OF  
COMMITTEE.

>> DOCKET NUMBER 1094, THE  
COMMITTEE ON GOVERNMENT  
OPERATIONS TO WHICH REFERRED ON  
JULY 11th, 2018, DOCKET NUMBER  
1094.

AN ORDINANCE REGARDING  
RETAINMENT OF BACK TAXES.  
INITIAL REPORT RECOMMENDING THE  
ORDINANCE TO PASS IN A NEW  
DRAFT.

>> COUNCILLOR FLAHERTY.

>> THANK YOU, MADAM PRESIDENT  
AND MADAM CLERK.

THIS IS AN ORDINANCE THAT WOULD  
ADOPT A LOCAL OPTION PROVIDED IN  
THE MASS GENERAL LAWS CHAPTER 60  
SECTION 62 A THAT ALLOWS THE  
CITY OF BOSTON RESIDENTS TO

NEGOTIATE PAYMENT PLANS FOR --  
AND TO REDUCE INTEREST  
OPPORTUNITIES FOR THOSE WITH  
DELINQUENT PROPERTY TAXES.  
THIS WAS SPONSORED BY ED FLYNN  
BACK ON JULY 11th.

THE COMMITTEE HELD A WORKING  
SESSION.

THE COMMITTEE OF WAYS AND MEANS  
ALSO HELD A MEETING WITH RESPECT  
TO THE FLEXIBLE PAYMENT PLAN FOR  
PROPERTY TAX ARREARS.

AS ORIGINALLY PROPOSED, DOCKET  
NUMBER 1094 PROVIDED TWO OPTIONS  
FOR CERTAIN RESIDENTIAL  
TAXPAYERS TO ENTER INTO A  
PAYMENT PLAN WITH TWO OPTIONS  
FOR CERTAIN COMMERCIAL TAX  
PLAYERS.

DURING THE WORKING SESSION  
ATTENDED BY THE CFO ASSESSING  
COMMISSIONER WYLETTE, ELDERLY  
COMMISSION AND CECILIA BARTON,  
THEY TESTIFIED ON BEHALF OF THE  
ADMINISTRATION, WAS ATTENDED BY  
ALL OF OUR COLLEAGUES.

THEY TALKED ABOUT THE PROGRAMS  
AVAILABLE TO TAXPAYERS AND  
CONCERNS ABOUT THIS PROPOSAL AND  
LEGISLATION.

THE LEGISLATION WOULD CODIFY AN  
EXISTING PRACTICE AND MAKE IT  
MORE WIDELY ACCEPTABLE TO  
QUALIFIED RESIDENTS.

THROUGHOUT THE WORKING SESSION,  
THE SUGGESTION WAS MADE TO  
PETITION THE LEGISLATURE FOR A  
SPECIAL LAW TO REDUCE 25% OF THE  
DOWN PAYMENT CURRENTLY REQUIRED  
BY STATE LAW SENSE AS MANY OF  
OUR COLLEAGUES, 25% DOWN, COULD  
BE A SIGNIFICANT BURDEN WITHOUT  
ANY SUPPORT.

THE ADMINISTRATION AND COMMITTEE  
HAD CONCERNS ABOUT THE DOCKET AS  
ORIGINALLY FILED AND THAT'S WHEN  
OUR COLLEAGUES WORKED WITH THE  
ADMINISTRATION THAT RESULTED IN  
CLARIFICATIONS AND ADDITIONAL  
COMMENTS AND CHANGES TO DOCKET  
NUMBER 1094, SPECIFICALLY THE  
RESIDENTIAL PROGRAM HAS BEEN  
RESHAPED TO SPECIFICALLY TARGET  
LOW INCOME ELDERS WITH A

FIVE-YEAR REPAYMENT OFFERING.  
TWO, THE COMMERCIAL PROGRAM HAS  
BEEN ELIMINATED.

THREE, THE ELIGIBILITY CRITERIA  
HAS BEEN SIMPLIFIED AND LINKED  
TO THE ELDERLY TAX EXEMPTION  
CRITERIA.

FOUR, WHICH WAS REALLY DRIVEN BY  
OUR COLE LEAGUES, COUNCILLOR  
FLYNN AND ZAKIM WITH THE  
ADDITION OF A NEW SECTION THAT  
REQUIRES THE CITY TO DEVELOP A  
MULTILINGUAL MATERIAL AND  
OUTREACH PROGRAM AND REQUIRES  
THAT ALL COMMUNICATIONS WITH  
REGARDS TO TAX TITLE OBLIGATIONS  
TO BE IN COMPLIANCE WITH  
LANGUAGE, ACCESS TO ORDINANCE.

THE TREASURER WILL REPORT TO THE  
COUNCIL BY JULY 22 AND JULY 2021  
ON THE PROGRAM'S UTILIZATION FOR  
MODIFICATIONS, EXPANSION TO  
OTHER RESIDENTS AND SHOULD THIS  
PASS, THE ORDINANCE GOES INTO  
EFFECT ON JANUARY 1, 2019.

SUM AND SUBSTANCE AND WHY I'M  
RECOMMENDING DOCKET NUMBER 1094  
OUGHT TO PASS AND DEFER TO THE  
LEAD SPONSOR TO OTHERS TO  
WEIGH-IN.

A GREAT OPPORTUNITY FOR THIS  
COUNCIL TO WORK WITH THE  
ADMINISTRATION CLOSELY TO PUT  
SOMETHING OUT THERE THAT IS  
GOING TO HAVE A REAL MEANINGFUL  
DIRECT BENEFIT FOR THOSE THAT  
ARE STRUGGLING TO STAY IN THE  
CITY AND CONTINUE TO AFFORD  
THEIR HOMES, THIS WILL GIVE THEM  
AN OPPORTUNITY TO WORK SOMETHING  
OUT WITH THE CITY AND A  
SENSITIVE AND COMPASSIONATE WAY.  
IT'S THE DIRECT RESULT OF OUR  
COLLEAGUES EFFORTS ON BEHALF OF  
THIS BODY.

THANK YOU, MADAM PRESIDENT.

>> THANK YOU, COUNCILLOR  
FLAHERTY.

COUNCILLOR EDWARDS?

>> THANK YOU.

I JUST WANTED TO NOT ONLY  
THANKED THE CO-SPONSOR,  
COUNCILLOR FLYNN, BUT ALSO TO  
THANK BOTH COUNCILLOR CIOMMO FOR

HOSTING THE HEARING RIGHT AWAY  
AND STARTING A VERY ROBUST, VERY  
GOOD AND INFORMATIVE  
CONVERSATION AND ALSO WANTED TO  
THANK COUNCILLOR FLAHERTY FOR  
YOUR LEADERSHIP.

I WANT THE BE CLEAR HOW WE GOT  
HERE AND GIVE CREDIT TO THE  
INDIVIDUALS IN THE TRENCHES  
EVERY DAY TRYING TO MAKE SURE  
THAT PEOPLE STAY IN THEIR HOMES.  
THAT IS TO MY FORMER COLLEAGUES  
WHO REALLY KICKED OFF THIS  
CONVERSATION YEARS AGO WITH THE  
CITY.

AND EVEN BEFORE I WAS AT THE  
OFFICE OF HOUSING STABILITY, THE  
ISSUE REALLY BEING THAT WHEN IT  
CAME DOWN TO BEING ABLE TO MAKE  
RIGHT WITH THE CITY, IF YOU OWE  
THE CITY TAXES, WE WILL REALLY  
OFFER PEOPLE 25% DOWN AND TEN  
MONTHS TO CATCH UP.

IF YOU COULDN'T, THE CITY WOULD  
PROCEED WITH A LIEN.

THAT WAS AN UNNECESSARY PLACE  
THAT WE PUT A LOT OF TAXPAYERS  
THAT WANTED TO DO RIGHT BUT  
COULDN'T AFFORD THAT PLAN.

THE STATE HOUSE HAD TAKEN THE  
LEADERSHIP AND PASSED THIS LOCAL  
OPTION AND MANY CITIES HAD OPTED  
INTO THAT.

SO TALKING WITH NADINE AND TODD  
AND WHAT WE THOUGHT INITIALLY, A  
VERY EXPANSIVE VERSION OF THIS,  
WE STARTED THE CONVERSATION WITH  
COUNCILLOR CIOMMO AND HAD ROBUST  
HEARING.

THE ADMINISTRATION WAS VERY GOOD  
AT EXPLAINING THE CONCERNS THAT  
THEY HAD AND ALSO MAKING SURE  
THAT WE UNDERSTOOD THE  
PERMANENCY OF THIS OPT-IN AND  
THAT WE UNDERSTOOD THAT AS WE'RE  
GOING TO BE CHANGING THE WAY WE  
CAN RELATED BACK TO THE CITY, WE  
HAD TO MAKE SURE WE GOT IT  
RIGHT.

SO THE WORKING SESSION WAS  
PARTICULARLY INFORMATIVE.

WHILE I PRESENTED MAYBE MORE  
EXPANSIVE ROLE THAT INVOLVED  
ENTITIES, AT THE END OF THE DAY,



THIS TAUGHT ME AND MADE ME A  
BETTER COUNCILLOR.

I WANT TO THANK MY COLLEAGUES  
FOR YOUR MENTORSHIP, THE KIND  
WORDS, THE ONE-ON-ONE  
CONVERSATIONS WITH YOU OR YOUR  
STAFF AND MAKING SURE THAT THIS  
BILL IS GOING TO BE THE BEST  
THAT IT CAN BE.

I WANT TO BE CLEAR THAT RIGHT  
NOW THAT 25% IS SOMETHING THAT  
WE SHOULD TACKLE AND I INTEND TO  
FILL A PETITION NEXT YEAR TO  
MAKE SURE THAT THAT 25% IS DEALT  
WITH.

IT IS AN UNNECESSARY BURDEN WHEN  
PEOPLE ARE TRYING TO MAKE RIGHT.

FOR RIGHT NOW, THE CITY OF  
BOSTON IS DOING EVERYTHING IT  
CAN WITH THIS PAYMENT PLAN.

I WANT TO THANK AGAIN THE CITY,  
THE ADMINISTRATION FOR THEIR  
LEADERSHIP.

SPECIFICALLY I WANT TO ALSO  
THANK EMMA HANNITY, GAIL, CELIA  
BARTON AND FOR THEIR E-MAILS AND  
RESPONSES.

I ALSO WANT TO THANK MY POLICY  
MAKER, THIS IS THE FIRST ONE WE  
CRAFTED TOGETHER AND I JUST  
WANTED TO ACKNOWLEDGE THE WORK  
THAT YOU DID DAY IN AND DAY OUT  
AND GETTING BACK AND DOING ALL  
THE RESEARCH.

ANOTHER THING I WANT TO ADD, NOT  
ONLY DOES THIS PROVIDE A  
FIVE-YEAR PAYMENT PLAN AND  
FORGIVE THE INTEREST, BUT WE  
THOUGHT THE LANGUAGE ITSELF  
WITHIN THE OPT IN ALLOWED FOR

FLEXIBILITY.

THERE'S NO ACTUAL LANGUAGE THAT  
SAYS IT HAS TO BE A LUMP SUM  
PAYMENT.

AS THE ADMINISTRATION WAS  
ALREADY BEING FLEXIBLE AND KIND  
AND RESPONSIVE, WE THOUGHT WE  
WOULD MAKE SURE THAT THAT  
FLEXIBILITY WAS ALSO ENSHRINED.

WE DID A LOT OF WORK AND YOU  
WERE THERE AT THE WORKING  
SESSION IN THE PRIVATE MEETINGS.  
I'M ASKING MY COLLEAGUES TO HELP

BRING IT HOME.

WE'VE DONE THE WORK, RESPONDED  
TO THE SENIORS THAT NEED THIS  
HELP.

THEY'RE STUCK IN A UNIQUE  
POSITION.

IN THAT WORKING SESSION, THANK  
YOU, COUNCILLOR ZAKIM AND FLYNN.

WE DID DISCOVER THAT A LOT OF  
THE FOLKS GETTING LIEN NOTICES  
ONLY GET THEM IN ENGLISH.

WE'RE TALKING ABOUT PEOPLE BEING  
ABLE TO RESPOND AND ADVOCATE FOR  
THEMSELVES, WE KNEW WE COULD DO  
BETTER.

I'M HAPPY THAT LANGUAGE WAS  
ADDED.

I WANT TO THANK YOU FOR YOUR  
FEEDBACK, MAKING SURE THE  
PAYMENT PLAN CAME IN.

I WANT TO THANK YOU ALL SO MUCH  
FOR THE FEEDBACK AND MAKING SURE  
WE CRAFTED THE BEST ORDINANCE  
POSSIBLE.

SO WE NEED VOTE OPEN THIS.

I'M ASKING YOU ALL TO SUPPORT  
IT.

>> THANK YOU, COUNCILLOR ED  
CARDS.

COUNCILLOR FLYNN, YOU HAVE THE  
FLOOR.

>> THANK YOU, MADAM PRESIDENT.

I'D LIKE TO THANK MY COLLEAGUE  
AND FRIEND, LYDIA EDWARDS, FOR  
HER STEADFAST LEADERSHIP ON THIS  
IMPORTANT ISSUE AS WELL AS YOUR  
EFFORTS TO IMPROVE HOUSING  
STABILITY ACROSS OUR CITY.

I'D LIKE TO ACKNOWLEDGE THE  
GREAT WORK OF MY FRIEND AND  
COLLEAGUE, MICHAEL FLAHERTY FOR  
HIS WORK ON THIS ISSUE.

I KNOW THE -- SUPPORTING THE  
ELDERLY IS A TOP ISSUE OF YOURS.

WE JUST HEARD BAD NEWS FROM  
SOUTH BOSTON, POSSIBLY CLOSING  
OF THE MARION MANOR.

PEOPLE LIKE MICHAEL FLAHERTY  
HAVE ALWAYS BEEN THERE FOR THE  
ELDERLY.

THANK MAYOR WALSH FOR BEING AN  
ADVOCATE FOR OUR SENIORS AND LOW  
INCOME RESIDENTS AS WELL.

THANKS FOR MAKING THIS POLICY ON

YOUR END.

I WANT TO THANK COUNCILLOR  
CIOMMO FOR YOUR LEADER SHIM.  
THANKS FOR PROVIDING MORE TOOLS  
FOR OUR ELDERLY RESIDENTS IN  
TERMS OF HOUSING STABILITY,  
MAKING ADJUSTMENTS TO THE  
INTEREST RATES, LONGER TIME  
HORIZON OF FIVE YEARS WILL  
PROVIDE MUCH-NEEDED RELIEF FOR  
THE RURAL INCOME SENIORS.

I JUST WANT TO SAY THANK YOU TO  
COUNCILLOR ZAKIM AND COUNCILLOR  
PRESSLEY FOR HER LONG-TIME  
SUPPORT OF OUR ELDERLY FELLOW  
SENIORS AND THE DISABLED.

MOREOVER, I'M PROUD THAT THIS  
ORDINANCE REFLECTS OUR VALUES OF  
INCLUDE FOR ALL OF OUR  
COMMUNITIES IN THE CITY OF  
BOSTON AS IT WILL INCREASE  
ACCESS ABILITY FOR NON-ENGLISH  
SPEAKING RESIDENTS.

TAX BILLS CAN BE INTIMIDATING TO  
ALL OF US.

THIS ORDINANCE WILL MAKE THINGS  
EASIER FOR OUR SENIORS THAT HAVE  
FALLEN ON TOUGH TIMES.

I LOOK FORWARD TO HAVING THIS  
ORDINANCE SIGNED INTO LAW AND  
WANT TO SAY THANK YOU TO MY  
COLLEAGUES TO THE WALSH  
ADMINISTRATION AND TO EVERYBODY  
HERE THAT REALLY IS DEDICATED  
THEIR LIVES TO HELPING OUR  
ELDERLY AND HELPING OUR  
DISABLED.

THIS WILL GO A LONG WAY IN  
IMPROVING THE LIVES OF SO MANY  
PEOPLE IN THE CITY.

THANK YOU, MADAM PRESIDENT.

>> THANK YOU, COUNCILLOR FLYNN.

AT THIS TIME COUNCILLOR  
FLAHERTY, THE CHAIR OF THE  
COMMITTEE OF GOVERNMENT  
OPERATIONS SEEKS ACCEPTANCE AND  
PASSAGE OF DOCKET NUMBER 0194 IN  
A DRAFT.

ALL IN FAVOR SAY AYE.

ALL OPPOSED SAY NEY.

THE AYES HAVE IT.

DOCKET NUMBER 1094 HAS BEEN  
PASSED.

MOVING ON TO MOTIONS, ORDERS AND

RESOLUTIONS.

>> DOCKET NUMBER 1621,  
COUNCILLOR CIOMMO OFFERED THE  
FOLLOWING ORDER.

PURSUANT TO CHAPTER 40, SECTION  
56, THE RESIDENTIAL FACTION  
SHALL BE THE MINIMUM RESIDENTIAL  
FACTOR AS DETERMINED BY THE  
COMMISSION PURSUANT TO MASS  
GENERAL LAWS CHAPTER 58 SECTION  
1 A.

BE IT FURTHER THAT PURSUANT TO  
CHAPTER 59 SECTION 5 C AS  
AMENDED, A RESIDENTIAL EXEMPTION  
IN THE AMOUNT OF VALUE EQUAL TO  
35% OF THE AVERAGE ASSESSED  
VALUE OF ALL CLASS 1 RESIDENTIAL  
PARCELS IN THE CITY OF BOSTON BE  
AND HEREBY IS APPROVED FOR  
FISCAL YEAR 2019.

>> COUNCILLOR CIOMMO, YOU HAVE  
THE FLOOR.

>> THANK YOU.

THIS IS AN ANNUAL OBLIGATION OF  
THIS BODY IN ORDER TO ADOPT THE  
HIGHEST RESIDENTIAL FACTOR TO  
PASS ALONG THE EXEMPTION OF 35%  
TO OUR -- IN THE CITY AND TO  
ALSO CERTIFY OUR TAX RATES.  
JUST WANTED TO PUT THAT ON THE  
RECORD.

>> THANK YOU.

DOCKET NUMBER 1261 WILL BE  
ASSIGNED TO THE COMMITTEE ON  
WAYS AND MEANS.

DOCKET NUMBER NUMBER 1622,  
COUNCILLOR EDWARDS AND WU  
OFFERED THE FOLLOWING ORDER FOR  
HEARING REGARDING PENSION FUND  
DISCLOSURE, SOCIALLY RESPONSIBLE  
INVESTMENTS AND REINVESTMENTS.

>> COUNCILLOR EDWARDS, YOU HAVE  
THE FLOOR.

>> THANK YOU VERY MUCH.

I WANTED TO JUST SUSPEND THE  
RULES AND ADD COUNCILLOR  
O'MALLEY.

ANY OBJECTION?

>> NO, MADAM CLERK.

IF YOU COULD ADD COUNCILLOR  
O'MALLEY AS A THIRD CO SPONSOR.  
THANK YOU.

>> AS I STATED BEFORE, WHERE WE  
CHOOSE TO INVEST OUR MONEY IS

WHERE WE PRIORITIZE.  
NOT ONLY OUR HEARTS, BUT OUR  
UNDERSTANDING OF WHERE THE WORLD  
SHOULD GO AND ALSO UNDERSTANDING  
OF WHAT WE SHOULD BE INVESTING  
FOR OUR FUTURE.  
HOW AND WHERE WE PUT OUR  
BILLIONS OF DOLLARS OF OUR  
RETIREMENT MONEY IS A STATEMENT.  
IT'S NOT JUST ABOUT THE FISCAL  
RESPONSIBILITY.  
IT'S ABOUT THE MORAL CHARACTER  
OF THE CITY.  
SO THIS HEARING, SPECIFICALLY OF  
CALLING FOR THAT KIND OF  
QUESTION ABOUT OUR CHARACTER,  
ABOUT OUR INVESTMENT AND  
ENSURING WE'RE NOT ONLY  
INVESTING IN AN UNSUSTAINABLE  
FUTURE AND FIGHTING FOR  
REGULATIONS AND ORDINANCES TO  
MAKES MORE SUSTAINABLE.  
IT'S NOT ONLY ABOUT THE  
SUSTAINABILITY BEFORE, WE'VE  
DONE THIS BEFORE.  
WE MADE A STATEMENT ON  
APARTHEID.  
WE WITH DRAW OUR MONEY FROM THEM  
IF THEY SUPPORTED APARTHEID.  
WE'VE ASSURED THAT OUR MORAL  
CHARACTER AND OUR FINANCIAL  
INVESTMENTS ARE ALIGNED AND  
ASSURING THAT WE HAVE A MORE  
JUST, SAFE AND INCLUSIVE WORLD.  
SO HOW WE CONTINUE TO HAVE THOSE  
CONVERSATIONS AND MAKING SURE  
THAT THOSE CONVERSATIONS ARE NOT  
NECESSARILY ISSUE SPECIFIC IS  
WHAT THIS ORDINANCE IS ABOUT.  
LEADERSHIP AGAIN IS A NEW  
GENERATION OF CITY COUNSELORS,  
O'MALLEY.  
RECENTLY WE'VE BEEN APPROACHED  
AND TALKING WITH FOLKS THAT ARE  
REALLY CONCERNED ABOUT THE  
GROWING INVESTMENT IN PRIVATE  
PRISONS.  
AGAIN, I PERSONALLY WILL GO ON  
THE RECORD AND I'M SURE MY  
COLLEAGUES WILL, I ABHOR  
PRIVATIZATION OF PRISON.  
IF YOU PRIVATIZE THOSE KIND OF  
THINGS, YOU NEED TO MAKE SURE  
THAT YOU HAVE A INDUSTRY THAT

FEEDS THEM.

I DON'T BELIEVE THAT MAKING MONEY ALL OF CORRECTIONS SHOULD BE SOMETHING THAT THE STATE IS INVOLVED ME.

THAT'S ME PUTTING IT OUT THERE.

THERE'S THOSE THAT MAY DISAGREE, THIS CONVERSATION IS NO LONGER ABOUT ISSUE SPECIFIC.

WE'RE NOT FIGHTING ABOUT CLIMATE CHANGE.

WE'RE TALKING ABOUT WHERE THE MORAL CHARACTER OF THE CITY GOES.

SO THIS CONVERSATION IS GOING TO ASK, WHAT ARE THE STANDARDS FOR DIVESTING.

WHAT ARE THE STANDARDS FOR INVESTING.

HOW CAN WE HELP ASSURE THAT WE SET THE STANDARDS GOING FORWARD IN ANY WAY, SHAPE OR FORM.

IT STARTS ALWAYS WITH TRANSPARENCY.

WHERE IS THE MONEY NOW?

THAT'S WHAT WE WANT TO HAVE FIRST.

BEFORE WE GO MAKING DECISIONS ABOUT WHAT IT'S DOING AND WHETHER IT'S ACTUALLY WORTH OR MONEY OR NOT, WE NEED TO HAVE A FULL-ON CONVERSATION ABOUT TRANSPARENCY AND SEEING WHERE RETIREMENT IS GOING, HOW MUCH MIGHT BE IN DIFFERENT INDUSTRIES AND SPREAD AMONGST MUTUAL FUNDS.

WHILE WE THINK WE'RE DOING THE RIGHT THING, SOME OF OUR MONEY IS NOT.

SO WE'RE GOING TO ENCOURAGE THE TRANSPARENT CONVERSATION FIRST. NOT ISSUE SPECIFIC.

JUST ABOUT THE BEST GOVERNMENT THAT WE CAN HAVE.

ALL OF OUR RETIREMENTS ARE INVOLVED IN THIS.

WE'RE NOT ONLY AS STEWARDS OF THE CITY INVOLVED, BUT WE PERSONALLY FINANCIALLY ARE INVOLVED.

IT'S IRONIC IN OUR LEADERS TO BE RETIRED ON FUNDS IN THE FOSSIL FUELS.

IT WOULD BE IRONIC FOR US TO

COLLECT FUNDS ALL OF PRIVATE PRISONS.

WE DON'T WANT THAT.

WE WANT TO ALL BE ABLE TO GO TO SLEEP ONE DAY THINKING THAT WE DID EVERYTHING WE COULD TO MAKE SURE THAT OUR MORALS, OUR CHARACTERS AND FINANCIAL INVESTMENTS ARE COMPLETELY ALIGNED.

SO I'M ASKING AGAIN FOR A GOOD CONVERSATION TO HAVE ABOUT HOW WE'RE GOING TO INVEST GOING FORWARD.

AND I HOPE YOU JOIN ME AND I HOPE YOU WILL CONSIDER ALSO SIGNING ON.

THANK YOU.

>> I THANK YOU, COUNCILLOR EDWARDS.

COUNCILLOR O'MALLEY, YOU HAVE THE FLOOR.

>> THANK YOU, MADAM PRESIDENT. THANK YOU TO MY DEAR COLLEAGUES ON THIS ISSUE.

THE DISTRICT COUNCIL FROM EAST BOSTON, IT WAS INCREDIBLY WELL-SAID AND I LOOK FORWARD TO US TO CONVENE THE RELEVANT STAKEHOLDERS AND THIS CONVERSATION.

IT'S IMPORTANT THAT BUDGETS ARE VALUE STATEMENTS.

I'D ARGUE HOW WE INVEST OUR PENSION FUNDS ARE AS WELL.

AS IT RELATES TO A NUMBER OF ISSUES INCLUDING PRIVATIZATION OF PRISONS I'D AGREE WITH.

GUN MANUFACTURERS IS SOMETHING AS WELL.

AS IT RELATES TO FOSSIL FUELS, THERE'S A REASON WIDEN MARK DIVESTED FROM FOSSIL FUELS IN 2012 AND WHY SWEDEN DID IN 2014 AND WHY NEW YORK CITY DID LAST YEAR.

PART OF IT IS RECOGNIZING THE THREAT THAT FOSSIL FUEL HASES TO TO OUR PLANET AND MORE OFTEN THAN NOT, IT'S ALSO MUCH BETTER BUSINESS SENSE TO INVEST FUNDS IN RENEWABLE ENERGY SOURCES.

I'VE SAID AT EVERY MEETING THAT'S STOOD AND TALKED ABOUT,

EVERY FISCAL CONSERVATIVE OUGHT TO BE AN ENVIRONMENTALIST AS WELL.

MORE OFTEN THAN NOT, SOME ENVIRONMENTAL POLICY BENEFITS THE RATE PAYER OF THE TAXPAYER. THERE'S A REASON WHY YOU LOOK AT SORT OF WHAT IS KNOWN AS BLACK ENERGY, THE FOSSIL FUEL, GAS, OIL, ET CETERA.

THE COST OF THAT PER KILOWATT HOUR IS 9, 11 CENTS.

YOU LOOK AT WIND, SOLAR, HYDRO, 3 OR 4 CENTS PER KILOWATT HOUR.

WHAT IS HAPPENING, YOU HAVE THE OIL PRICES, BOTTOMING OUT AND FOSSIL FUELS NO LONGER OFFER THE SAME RETURN.

IT'S LIKE TWO LINES ON A GRAPH WHERE THEY BECOME LESS EFFECTIVE AND LESS PROFITABLE FOR PENSION FUNDS.

RENEWABLE SOURCES ARE TAKING OFF LIKE A SKY ROCKET.

WE CAN GET THE BEST RETURNS FOR THE EMPLOYEES AND RETIREES IN THE CITY OF BOSTON.

THIS IS A WIN-WIN HERE.

IT'S IMPORTANT TO MAKE SURE THAT WE HAVE ALL THE INFORMATION, WHICH IS WHY COUNCIL FROM DISTRICT 1 AND AT LARGE COUNCILLOR FROM ROSENDALE AND I ARE WORKING ON THIS, TAKING THE FIRST STEP.

IT'S UNLIKELY WE WILL SOLVE THIS BUT WE'LL BEGIN THE CONVERSATION AND HOPEFULLY EFFECT REAL CHANGE IN SHORT ORDER.

LOOKING FORWARD TO GETTING TO WORK.

THANK YOU.

>> THANK YOU.

COUNCILLOR WU.

>> THANK YOU, MADAM PRESIDENT.

I WANTED TO THANK THE CO-SPONSORS.

I'M GOING -- COUNCILLOR EDWARDS FOR YOUR THOUGHTFUL APPROACH TO THIS AND REVIVING OUR DRIVE THAT I WAS REALLY PLEASED TO PARTNER WITH COUNCILLOR O'MALLEY ON A FEW YEARS AGO.

TO LOOK AT OURSELVES AND BE ABLE



TO LOOK OTHERS IN THE EYE WHEN WE'RE ASKING VARIOUS SECTORS OR OTHER LEADERS, OTHER CITIES TO JOIN US IN THE FIGHT FOR CLIMATE RESILIENCY AND ADAPTATION AND ALL OF THE MORAL AND ETHICAL COMPONENTS OF THAT VISION THAT WE WANT TO SEE AS A CITY. SO YES, THIS IS ABOUT MAKING SURE WE'RE DOING EVERYTHING IN OUR POWER TO BE THE MORAL BEACONS IN CITY GOVERNMENT. YES, THIS IS A ECONOMICALLY SOUND AND SMART DECISION TO MAKE. THANK YOU VERY MUCH.

>> THANK YOU, COUNCILOR WU, COUNCILOR ZAKIM.

>> THANK YOU MADAM PRESIDENT. I JUST WANT TO THANK THE MAKERS AND THE CO-SPONSORS FOR THIS. DEFINITELY GOOD CONVERSATION TO TALK ABOUT WHETHER WE CAN GET SOME FOSSIL FUELS.

WHEN I FIRST BROUGHT UP THIS SUBJECT THERE WAS A PERSON THERE NEW YORK AND IT'S PRETTY FUNNY SOMEBODY COMING FROM NEW YORK TO LOBBY ME.

SHE WAS TALKING ABOUT KIZ INVESTMENT IN THE PROMISE -- DISINVESTMENT IN THE PRISON SYSTEMS AND I ASK DO WE INVEST IF THE PRISON SYSTEMS NOW. IS BOSTON MONEY GOING INTO THOSE SYSTEMS.

I DON'T KNOW THE ANSWER TO THAT. IF THAT'S THE CASE WE SHOULDN'T BE TO GO THAT BUT THERE'S ALSO ANOTHER POINT THE LAST TIME WE HAD A HEARING AND WE HAD THE RETIREMENT BOARD IN HERE I ASKED THE QUESTION IF WE WERE INVESTING BOSTON MONEY IN THE BOSTON REAL ESTATE MARKET AND WE WEREN'T.

BUSIEST BEST REAL ESTATE MARKET IN THE CITY AND WE'RE NOT INVESTING IN IT FOR WHATEVER REASON SO THAT'S KIND OF THE ANGLE I WOULD LIKE TO SEE IF THERE'S A POSSIBILITY.

WE USE A LOT OF THE MONEY YOU SEE AROUND HERE MAY BE UNION PENSION MONEY OR OTHER PENSIONS. I DON'T BELIEVE BOSTON OR

MASSACHUSETTS PENSION MONEY IS INVESTING INTO THE BOSTON REAL ESTATE MARKET WHICH WHEN THE REST OF THE COUNTRY CRASHES AND IT WILL CRASH, I THINK WE'RE CLOSE, BOSTON IS GOING TO REMAIN CHARMED.

AS CHARMED AS WE ARE NOW WE'RE GOING TO TAKE A BUMP AND I SAY WHEN IS CRASH IS BECAUSE I THINK IT'S PRETTY CLOSE.

THANK YOU MADAM PRESIDENT AND I WOULD LIKE TO SIGN ON.

>> OKAY.

MADAM CLERK, IF WE COULD ADD COUNCILOR BAKER, COUNCILOR CIOMMO, COUNCILOR FLAHERTY, COUNCILOR FLYNN, MICK CARLY, PRESSLEY AND ZAKIM AS WELL AS THE CHAIR.

DOCKET 1622 WILL BE ASSIGNED TO THE COMMITTEE ON WAYS AND MEANS.

>> DOCKET NUMBER 1623, COUNCILOR ZAKIM OFFERS THE FOLLOWING ORDER FOR HEARING REGARDING THE USE OF PUBLIC WAYS.

>> COUNCILOR ZAKIM YOU HAVE THE FLOOR.

>> THANK YOU MADAM PRESIDENT. THIS HEARING IS AS A RESULT OF SEVERAL YEARS OF FUTILE EFFORTS IN COOPERATION WITH MANY OF MY NEIGHBORS, CIVIC ASSOCIATIONS, CERTAIN DEPARTMENTS IN THIS BUILDING TO FIND AN EQUITABLE ARRANGEMENT SOLUTION FOR THE PROLIFERATION OF STREET RACES, ROAD RACES AND MARCHES AND ROAD CLOSURES.

IT HAPPENS THROUGHOUT THE CITY BUT WITH AN UNDUE BURDEN PARTICULARLY THE BACK BAY NEIGHBORHOOD AND IT'S SOMETHING WE'VE HAD NO SUCCESS.

JUST LAST WEEKEND, THERE WAS ANOTHER NEW WORLD RACE REQUIRING CLOSURE OF RESIDENTIAL STREETS PREVENTING MANY NEIGHBORS FROM GETTING TO LEAVE THEIR HOMES OR ABLE TO COME BACK.

I HEARD FROM FOLKS TRYING TO TAKE THEIR KIDS TO PIANO PRACTICE OR TO SCHOOL ON SOME OTHER DAYS OBVIOUSLY NOT ON SATURDAY.

IT'S SOMETHING THAT NEEDS TO BE  
ADDRESSED.

I LOOK FORWARD TO HIRING FROM  
OUR TRANSPORTATION DEPARTMENT OF  
SPECIAL EVENTS AND THE POLICE  
DEPARTMENT ON HOW WE CAN DO  
THIS, WHETHER IT MAKES SENSE TO  
HAVE A CORPORATE CHALLENGE WITH  
10,000 RUNNERS CLOSING OFF  
NUMEROUS RESIDENTIAL STREETS FOR  
HOURS ON A WEEKEND WHEN WE HAVE  
OTHER NEIGHBORHOODS.

CERTAINLY ON THE WEEKENDS THAT  
ARE NOT ACTIVE RESIDENTIAL  
NEIGHBORHOODS LIKE THE FINANCIAL  
DISTRICT, LIKE SOME PARTS OF  
OTHER AREAS OF THE CITY WHERE  
IT'S PREDOMINANTLY BUSINESSES  
AND IT WOULD NOT BE AS INTRUSIVE  
ON EVERYONE'S DAILY LIVES.

IT'S SOMETHING I WANT TO FIND A  
SOLUTION TO AND SOMETHING THAT  
COMES UP REGULARLY.

IF YOU SEE IN THE HEARING ORDER,  
FOLKS ARE EXCITED TO HOST THE  
MARATHON IN THE BACK BAY, WE  
LOVE THAT.

THE WALK FOR HUNGER.

THERE ARE SOME TRADITIONAL ROAD  
RACES, WALKS AND ALSO GOOD  
CAUSES THAT ARE WELCOME IN THE  
NEIGHBORHOOD BUT PARTICULARLY  
ABOUT THESE SMALLER ONES THAT  
ARE NOT PUBLICIZED.

EVERYONE KNOWS WHEN THE MARATHON  
IS.

THE BOSTON POLICE DEPARTMENT HAS  
BEEN INCREDIBLY ACCOMMODATING TO  
PEOPLE WHO LIVE IN THE AREA FOR  
COMMISSIONER EVANS TO WORK WITH  
COMMISSIONER ROSS TO MAKE SURE  
PEOPLE GET IN AND OUT.

THROUGH LET'S A LOT OF NOTICE.  
EVERYBODY'S TALKING.

WE ALL WHEN THE MARATHON IS.  
TO HAVE A NATIONAL REALTORS 5K  
POP UP AND PEOPLE WERE HOPING TO  
HAVE HOUSE GUESTS.

I WAS TRYING TO GO OUT OF MY  
HOME AND THIS HAPPENS OVER AND  
OVER AGAIN.

WE NEED A SOLUTION FOR THAT TO  
MAKE SURE WE'RE REEDZ TO HOST  
THE NEXT WORLD SERIES PARADE OR

NEXT PATRIOTS PARADE.

I LOOK FORWARD FOR A HEARING QUICKLY AND FIND A SOLUTION TO THIS.

>> THANK YOU COUNCILOR ZAKIM. ANYONE WANTING TO SPEAK ON THIS OR ADD THEIR NAMES.

ADD COUNCILOR FLYNN AND COUNCILOR JANEY.

DOCKET 1623 WILL BE ASSIGNED TO PLANNING DEVELOPMENT AND TRANSPORTATION.

MOVING ON TO PERSONNEL ORDERS.

>> DOCKET NUMBER 16 THIS, COUNCILOR CAMPBELL FOR -- 1 624 COUNCILOR CAMPBELL FOR COUNCILOR CIOMMO.

>> ASKS TO MOVE.

THE AYES HAVE IT.

DOCKET 1624 HAS BEEN PASSED.

>> DOCKET 1625, COUNCILOR CAMPBELL FOR COUNCILOR CIOMMO.

>> COUNCILOR CIOMMO SEEKS SUS PENSION OF THE RULES IN DOCKET 1625, ALL THOSE IN FAVOR SAY AYE.

ANY OPPOSED TO SAY NAY.

DOCKET 1625 HAS BEEN PASSED.

>> DOCKET 1626 COUNCILOR CAMPBELL FOR COUNCILOR FLYNN.

>> COUNCILOR FLYNN SECRETARIES SUSPENSION OF THE RULE IN PASS YOU CAN OF DOCKET 1626.

ALL THOSE IN FAVOR.

ANY OPPOSED SAY NAY.

THE AYES HAVE IT DOCKET 1626 HAS BEEN PASSED.

>> DOCKET NUMBER 1627 COUNCILOR CAMPBELL FOR COUNCILOR JANEY.

>> COUNCILOR JANE E SEEKS SUSPENSION OF THE RULES AND PASSAGE OF DOCKET 1627.

ALL THOSE IN FAVOR SAY AYE.

OPPOSED SAY NAY.

THE AYES HAVE IT DOCKET 1627 HAS BEEN PASSED.

I AM INFORMED BY THE CLERK THAT WE HAVE TWO LATE FILE MATTERS.

ONE IS A PERSONNEL ORDER.

MADAM CLERK, IF WE COULD START WITH THAT ONE.

>> THANK YOU MADAM PRESIDENT.

>> I'M SORRY NOT A PERSONNEL ORDER, A NOTE FROM COUNCILOR

ESSAIBI GEORGE.

>> ANNISSA ESSAIBI GEORGE  
DECEMBER 2018.

MADAM PRESIDENT I RIGHT TO  
INFORM YOU I CANNOT AWE TEND  
WEDNESDAY'S COUNCIL MEETING.  
I AM RECOVERING FROM STURNLG RE.  
I WANT MY SUPPORT OF DOCKET 1616  
AND A DONATION OF \$30,000  
[INDISCERNIBLE] VIA THE BOSTON  
PUBLIC HEALTH COMMISSION HAVING  
ACCESS TO OVERDOSE KITS AND  
TRAINING ON OVERDOSE PREVENTURA  
CROSS OUR CITY'S DEPARTMENTS IS  
CRUCIAL AS WE FIGHT THE SYMPTOMS  
OF THE OPIOID CRISES.

SINCEREY ANNISSA ESSAIBI GEORGE  
COUNCILOR OF THE CITY OF BOSTON.

>> THE MATTER WILL BE PLACED ON  
FILE.

MOVING ON TO THE SECOND LATE  
FILE MATTER.

>> OFFERED BY CITY COUNCILOR  
AYANNA PRESSLEY, ORDER FOR  
HEARING TO LISTEN TO COMMUNITIES  
IMPACTED BY VIOLENCE AND TRAUMA.  
WHEREAS GUN VIOLENCE IS A PUBLIC  
HETERO CRISES AND EPIDEMIC BUT  
EXPERIENCES THROUGHOUT THE CITY  
OF BOSTON.

WHEREAS A MAJORITY OF SHOOTINGS  
HAPPEN IN A CLUSTER OF JUST  
THREE NEIGHBORHOODS, DORCESTER,  
ROCKS BEE AND MATTAPAN.  
VIOLENCE AND TRAUMA IS A  
CHALLENGE FOR THE WHOLE CITY BUT  
IT MUST BE DONE IN PARTNERSHIP  
WITH AND BY LISTENING TO THE  
COMMUNITIES MOST IMPACTED BY IT.  
THEREFORE BE IT ORDERED THAT THE  
APPROPRIATE COMMITTEE OF THE  
BOSTON CITY COUNCIL HOLD A  
HEARING TO UNDERSTAND THE  
CHALLENGE FACED BY COMMUNITIES  
IMPACTED BY VIOLENCE AND TRAUMA  
AND GATHER THEIR RECOMMENDATIONS  
REGARDING THE CITY'S RESPONSE  
SYSTEM AND THAT SUCH COMMUNITIES  
BE INVITED TO TESTIFY AND THAT  
REPRESENTATIVES OF THE MAYOR'S  
OFFICE AND BOSTON POLICE  
DEPARTMENT, BOSTON PUBLIC HEALTH  
COMMISSION, BOSTON PUBLIC  
SCHOOLS, BOSTON FAMILIES, COUNTY

DISTRICT ATTORNEY'S OFFICE, THE COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE, BOSTON MEDICAL CENTER AND SAFE-BASED ORGANIZATIONS AND RESPONSE TEAMS AND OTHER INTERESTED PARTIES TO BE INVITED TO ACTIVELY LISTEN BY NOVEMBER 7, 2018.

>> YOU HAVE THE FLOOR.

>> THANK YOU, MADAM CHAIR.

ONE OF THE THINGS I'M PROUD OF DURING MY TENURE HERE OF THE COUNCIL IS THANKS TO THE ACCOMMODATION OF OUR FORMER COUNCIL PRESIDENT MIKE ROSS, I WAS ABLE TO AND THROUGH THE SUPPORT OF MY COLLEAGUES CREATE THIS POLICY COMMITTEE COMMITTEE OF HEALTHY WOMEN FAMILIES AND COMMUNITIES.

FIRST CITY COUNCIL COMMITTEE TO NAME THE ISSUE OF TRAUMA AND I REMEMBER WHEN I WAS FIRST RUNNING FOR THE BOSTON CITY COUNCIL I WAS ASKED WHAT WOULD I DO TO ADDRESS THE ACHIEVEMENT OPPORTUNITY GAP AND I SAID TO TREAT TRAUMA.

I WAS LITERALLY ACCUSED OF CODDLING KIDS MAKING EXCUSES FOR THEM OR PERHAPS THEY MADE ASSUMPTIONS THAT MARGINALIZED WHO IS IMPACTED BY TRAUMA IN OUR SCHOOLS, IN OUR COMMUNITIES AND IN OUR CITIES.

I THINK AFTER THE MAYOR'S UNDERSTANDING TRAUMA AND THE RESIDUAL AFTERMATH OF THE AFTERSHOCKS OF IT, THERE ARE SOME IN THIS ROOM THAT WERE CLOSE TO THAT FINISH LINE.

BUT MANY WHO WERE NO WHERE NEAR IT AND ARE STILL EXPERIENCING THE AFTERSHOCKS OF THAT TRAUMATIC EVENT.

AND THERE ARE COMMUNITIES DISPROPORTIONALLY BEARING SIMILAR TRAUMA AND LIVING IN INTERGENERATIONAL TRAUMA THROUGHOUT THE CITY OF BOSTON. WE CONVENED IN THAT HEARING THE FIRST EVER LISTENING ONLY HEARING.

SOME REPORTED IT WAS THE FIRST OF THE NATION AND BY LISTENING

ONLY, THAT MEANS THAT IN THAT INSTANCE, WE HEARD FOR ALMOST FOUR HOURS FROM ALMOST 300 FAMILIES WHO LOST A LOVED ONE DUE TO GUN VIOLENCE.

WE LISTENED TO THEIR SOBERING ACCOUNTS AND WE LEARNED A LOT. WE DIDN'T JUST LISTEN WE RESPONDED.

BECAUSE OF THE RECOMMENDATIONS THAT CAME OUT OF THAT HEARING, THERE WAS INITIATED A MONTHLY GROUP OF PROVIDERS AND COORDINATORS TO IMPROVE THEIR COMMUNICATION AND THE SERVICES THAT THEY PROVIDE.

THERE WAS A BEREAVEMENT ROOM ESTABLISHED AT BOSTON MEDICAL CENTER.

WE ALSO LEARNED AT THAT HEARING IT WASN'T JUST GOOD GUN VIOLENCE THAT THERE WAS AN INCREASE IN A STABBING, A KNIFE USE AND SO COMING OUT OF THAT WE PASSED AN ORDINANCE TO RESTRICT THE SALE OF KNIVES ON PUSH CARTS AND BOW DEGASES AND TRAUMA HAS BECOME A WORD AS PART OF A LEXICON IN THE CITY OF BOSTON.

NO LONGER DOES SOMEONE ASK ME TO DEFEND WHAT I'M TALKING ABOUT OR TO DEFINE WHAT IT IS.

WE KNOW NOW IT IS NOT ONLY A BARRIER TO LEARNING BUT IT IS THE PROMISE OF FAMILIES COMMUNITY AND CITIES IN OUR COMMONWEALTH.

SO I INVITE YOU TO PARTICIPATE IN WHAT WOULD BE A HISTORIC SECOND LISTENING ONLY HEARING WHERE ALL WE COULD DO IS LISTEN. PROVIDERS IN THE CITY AND ALL OF US DON'T REACT, DON'T RESPOND, SIMPLY ACTIVELY LISTEN AND WE WILL DO AT THE CLOSE OF THAT PROCESS WHAT WE DID AT THE END OF THE FIRST AND THAT IS TO SYNTHESIZE THOSE RECOMMENDATIONS TO PRESENT A REPORT OF POLICY RECOMMENDATIONS AND OTHER THINGS WE MIGHT DO TO BETTER ENSURE THAT THERE'S TRAUMA RESPONSE OR RECOVERY IN THE CITY OF BOSTON FOR FAMILIES WHO HAVE BEEN

IMPACTED BY VIOLENCE.  
I WOULD ASK THAT YOU CONSIDER  
SIGNING ONE AND LOOK FORWARD TO  
AN EXPEDITED HEARING.  
I WILL BE HERE FOR A LITTLE BIT  
LONGER.

>> THANK YOU.

COUNCILOR JANEY YOU HAVE THE  
FLOOR.

>> I JUST RISE TO THANK THE  
MAKER OF THIS VERY IMPORTANT  
HEARING ORDER.

IT'S CERTAINLY AN ISSUE THAT IS  
AFFECTING TOO MANY FOLKS IN OUR  
CITY AND THEY OFTEN TIMES THEY  
ARE LIVING IN JUST CERTAIN  
NEIGHBORHOODS.

ME PERSONALLY, I'VE BEEN  
TRAUMATIZED FROM THE MARATHON  
BOMBING BUT ALSO GUN VIOLENCE IN  
MY COMMUNITY AND I OFTEN WONDER  
AND WORRY AND I'M DEEPLY  
CONCERNED ABOUT HOW THIS IS  
REALLY IMPACTING OUR YOUNG  
PEOPLE AND WHETHER OR NOT OUR  
SCHOOLS ARE TRULY ABLE TO  
RESPOND WHEN OUR YOUNG PEOPLE  
EXPERIENCE TRAUMA IN THEIR  
NEIGHBORHOODS.

I THINK THIS IS VERY TIMELY THAT  
WE ARE COMING NOT ONLY ON THE  
CLOSE OF SUMMER AND GOING INTO  
FALL AND WINTER BUT THE CLOSE OF  
OUR CALENDAR YEAR TO REALLY HAVE  
THIS CONVERSATION EARLIER IN THE  
YEAR, I CO-SPONSORED A HEARING  
WITH MATT O'MALLEY, COUNCILOR  
MATT O'MALLEY ON SUMMER VIOLENCE  
AND SO I THINK IT'S IMPORTANT  
THAT WE VISIT THIS ISSUE, THAT  
WE KEEP IT CONSTANT IN OUR MINDS  
ON HOW TRAUMA IS IMPACTING ALL  
OF US IN OUR COMMUNITY BUT  
PARTICULARLY OUR CHILDREN.  
NOT TOO LONG AGO, MAYBE A MONTH  
OR SO AGO, I WAS LEAVING AN  
EVENT IN MY DISTRICT AND I WAS  
AT A BOSS STOP ON WARREN STREET  
WITH MY MOM AND THREE YEAR OLD  
GRANDDAUGHTER.

I WAS HOLDING HER HAND AND  
SIRENS RUSHED UP LAWRENCE  
STREET.

NOT KNOWING WHAT HAPPENED BUT I



KNOW HOW I RESPOND AS SOMEONE WHO EXPERIENCED TRAUMA, MY HEART IS BEATING FASTER, MY BREATH IS A LITTLE SHORTER.

BUT I'M AN ADULT AND I'M ABLE TO KIND OF QUICKLY PROCESS AND AS I'M HOLDING ROSY'S HANDS AND SHE'S SQUEEZING MY HAND TIGHTER, WHAT'S GOING THROUGH HER MIND AND NOT KNOWING, SHE DOESN'T NECESSARILY HAVE THE LANGUAGE, THE VOCABULARY TO REALLY EXPRESS HERSELF IN HOW SHE'S FEELING AND REALLY PROCESS WHAT IS HAPPENING AND THIS HAPPENS EVERY SINGLE DAY IN SOME OF OUR COMMUNITIES IN THE CITY OF BOSTON.

AND I HAVE NO IDEA, I DON'T KNOW WHAT THOSE POLICE CARS WERE RESPONDING TO, BUT TOO MANY TIMES AND TOO MANY CHILDREN ARE EXPERIENCING THIS ON A DAILY BASIS.

SO AGAIN, I JUST WANT TO THANK COUNCILOR PRESSLY.

WE WANT TO THANK MY OTHER COLLEAGUES ON THE COUNCIL FOR RAISING THIS IMPORTANT ISSUE. AND WE'RE NOT GOING TO, WE'RE NOT GOING TO BE SUCCESSFUL AND REALLY CUTTING DOWN GUN VIOLENCE AND OTHER FORMS OF VIOLENCE IN OUR COMMUNITY IF WE DON'T DEAL WITH TRAUMA.

I BELIEVE THAT WHOLEHEARTEDLY SO WE'VE GOT TO DEAL WITH TRAUMA ON THE COUNCIL.

SO AGAIN THANK YOU, THANK ALL OF YOU AND I LOOK FORWARD TO HOLDING THIS HEARING AS SOON AS WE CAN.

PLEASE ADD MY NAME.

>> MADAM CLERK IF YOU COULD ADD COUNCILOR JANEY, CIOMMO, EDWARDS, BAKER, FLAHERTY, FLYNN, MCCARTHY, COUNCILOR O'MALLEY, COUNCILOR WU AND COUNCILOR ZAKIM AS WELL AS THE CHAIR.

THE SECOND LATE FILE MATTER WILL BE ASSIGNED TO THE COMMITTEE OF PUBLIC SAFETY AND CRIMINAL JUSTICE.

JUST THANK YOU FOR BEARING WITH US IN TERMS OF THE LATE FILES.

COUNCILOR PRESSLEY WILL BE AWAY  
ON CERTAIN COUNCIL DATES SO  
THANK YOU.

COUNCILOR EDWARDS.

ANYONE WISHING TO REMOVE THE  
MATTER FROM THE GREEN SHEETS IN  
OKAY, MOVING RIGHT ALONG.

I AM INFORMED BY THE CLERK THAT  
WE HAVE ONE LATE FILE MATTER  
WHICH -- OH.

WE HAVE 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 TO THE CONSENT AGENDA.  
THE CHAIR MOVES AT THIS TIME FOR  
ADOPTION OF THE CON SENT AGENDA.  
ALL THOSE IN FAVOR SAY AYE.

ANY OPPOSED SAY NAY.

THE AYES HAVE IT, THE CONSENT  
AGENDA HAS BEEN ADOPTED.

COUNCILOR O'MALLEY, FOR WHAT  
PURPOSE DO YOU RISE.

>> THANK YOU MADAM PRESIDENT.

I ASK UNANIMOUS CONSENT TO MAKE  
A BRIEF STATEMENT ABOUT PRIDE.

>> GO RIGHT AHEAD.

>> I WANT TO ECHO WHAT YOU  
ALLUDED TO AT THE BEGINNING  
MADAM PRESIDENT AND TALK ABOUT  
HOW PROUD I AM AND I KNOW WE ALL  
ARE TO MY COLLEAGUE TO MY LEFT  
AND OUR COLLEAGUE.

IT WAS EIGHT YEARS AGO WHERE  
AYANNA PRESSLEY AND I BOTH  
JOINED THIS BODY ALBEIT AT  
DIFFERENT TIMES.

SHE CAME IN AT NORMAL ELECTION  
TIME AND I CAME IN SPECIAL TEN  
MONTHS LATER.

WE HAD KNOWN EACH OTHER LONG  
BEFORE THAT.

I THINK WE FIRST MET WHEN I WAS  
A STAFF FOR ANDREA CAUSE BRAWL  
AND YOU WERE A STAFF FOR JOHN  
KERRY AND WE HAD THAT BOND THAT  
STAFFERS HAVE PARTICULARLY  
WORKING FOR STRONG  
PERSONALITIES.

I THINK BACK TO WHEN I WAS FIRST  
SWORN IN COMPLETELY DIFFERENT  
COUNCILOR WITH THE EXCEPTION OF

COUNCILOR CIOMMO, EVERYONE WAS DIFFERENT, THE MAYOR WAS DIFFERENT.

TIMES OF THE COUNTRY WERE CERTAINLY DIFFERENT BUT I KNEW THEN THAT BOSTON KNEW IT AND NOW THE UNITED STATES KNOWS WHAT A REMARKABLE LEADER YOU ARE AND JUST HOW PROUD WE ARE OF YOU AND YOUR DRIVE, YOUR DETERMINATION, YOUR EMPATHY, YOUR WORK ETHIC, YOUR ABILITY TO REALLY BUILD A BETTER CITY AND NOW YOU'RE GOING TO BUILD A BETTER COUNTRY FOR ALL OF US PARTICULARLY THOSE WHO DON'T HAVE THE VOICE.

YOU ARE A CHAMPION OF THE CITY, WE ARE SO PROUD OF YOU THE WAY THAT YOU CONDUCTED YOUR CAMPAIGN AND WHILE I SAID I'M GOING TO REALLY MISS SITTING NEXT TO YOU, I'M SO GLAD YOU WILL BE STANDING UP FOR ALL OF US AND PEOPLE ACROSS THE COMMONWEALTH AND WE'RE SO PROUD OF YOU CONGRESSWOMAN-ELECT.

THANK YOU.

[APPLAUSE]

>> COUNCILOR FLYNN FOR WHAT PURPOSE DO YOU RISE?

>> THANK YOU, MADAM PRESIDENT. MAY I MAKE A BRIEF STATEMENT ON UPCOMING --

>> YES.

>> THANK YOU MADAM PRESIDENT FOR GIVING ME THE OPPORTUNITY TO SPEAK.

I KNOW WE DO HAVE A LARGE LISTENING AUDIENCE THAT WATCHES US EVERY WEDNESDAY AND A LOT ARE MADE UP OF VETERANS AND MILITARY FAMILIES ACROSS OUR CITY.

AND I JUST WANT TO WISH THEM THE HAPPY VETERAN'S DAY.

I WANT TO WISH THEIR FAMILIES A HAPPY VETERAN'S DAY AND I JUST WANTED TO HIGHLIGHT A COUPLE NAMES IF I MAY OF SOME PEOPLE WHO ARE DOING SOME GREAT WORK.

WHEN I DO GO TO A LOT OF VETERAN'S EVENTS I GO MOSTLY ON BEHALF OF THE CITY COUNCIL AND I ACKNOWLEDGE THE GREAT WORK OF CITY COUNCILORS HAVE MADE FOR SO

MANY YEARS ON VETERAN'S ISSUES.  
WE HAVE AN EXCELLENT DEPARTMENT  
FOR THE CITY.

THE COMMISSIONER IS JEZELLE  
STERLING DOING SLEPT WORK.  
PRIOR TO THAT WE HAD FRANCISCO  
AND GENE BALENCOURT TIM  
MCCARTHY'S FRIENDS BUT THE WORK  
OUR VETERANS MADE ACROSS THE  
CITY.

WE THINK OF THE -- VETERAN STILL  
WITH US I KNOW HE'S WATCHING  
TODAY.

TIME LIONS WHO IS RETIRING FROM  
THE STATE AS WELL.

JOE IS A GOOD FRIEND OF MINE.  
FEENY WAS ACTIVE IN THE VIETNAM  
VETERANS IN DORCESTER.

WE HAVE GREAT WORK ON WOMAN'S  
VETERANS ISSUES.

THEY HAVE THEIR SPECIFIC ISSUES  
THAT THE VA IS WORKING CLOSELY  
WITH.

WE HAVE LGBT VETERANS THAT HAVE  
OTHER ISSUES THAT HOPEFULLY OUR  
CITY AND STATE AND OUR COUNTRY  
CAN PROVIDE STRONG LEADERSHIP TO  
THOSE VETERANS.

TONY MA MALINA IS WITH THE  
VIETNAM VETERANS IS CLOSE  
FRIENDS TO MICHELLE WU IS  
CELEBRATING ANNIVERSARY COMING  
UP.

I JUST WANTED TO SAY THANK YOU  
FOR GIVING ME THE OPPORTUNITY TO  
WORK ON THIS IMPORTANT ISSUE BUT  
WHEN A VETERAN SERVES SO DOESN'T  
THEIR FAMILY AND I JUST WANT TO  
SAY THANK YOU TO ALL THE  
MILITARY FAMILIES THAT WORK FOR  
OUR CITY, THAT LIVE IN OUR CITY  
AND DO SO MUCH TO HELP BUILD  
THIS GREAT CITY IN OUR COUNTRY.  
THANK YOU MADAM PRESIDENT.

>> THANK YOU, COUNCILOR FLYNN  
AND THANK YOU FOR YOUR SERVICE.

[APPLAUSE]

>> HAPPY VETERAN'S DAY TO  
EVERYONE.

JUST BEFORE WE MOVE ON TO  
MEMORIAL, I WANT TO GO BACK TO  
THE SECOND LATE FILE MATTER FOR  
RECONSIDERATION.

ANY OBJECTIONS TO RECONSIDERING

TO MOVE THAT MATTER TO THE  
COMMITTEE ASSIGNED TO A DITCH  
COMMITTEE?

ANY OBJECTIONS?

BECAUSE THIS IS GOING TO BE ONE  
OF COUNCILOR PRESSLEY'S LAST  
GREAT HEARINGS, WE'RE GOING TO  
MOVE IT FROM THE COMMITTEE ON  
PUBLIC SAFETY AND CRIMINAL  
JUSTICE AND THANK YOU COUNCILOR  
MCCARTHY TO COUNCILOR PRESSLEY'S  
COMMITTEE ON HEALTHY WOMAN  
FAMILIES AND COMMUNITIES.

SO THE SECOND LATE FILE MATTER  
WILL BE ASSIGNED TO COUNCILOR  
PRESSLEY'S COMMITTEE ON HEALTHY  
WOMEN AND COMMUNITIES.

SO THANK YOU.

AT THIS TIME I WOULD LIKE  
EVERYONE TO PLEASE RISE.  
MY COLLEAGUES AS WELL AS GUESTS  
AS WE ADJOURN TODAY'S MEETING IN  
MEMORY OF THE FOLLOWING  
INDIVIDUALS.

FOR COUNCILOR JANEY -- AND  
SAMUEL [INDISCERNIBLE].

FOR COUNCILOR O'MALLEY, MICHAEL  
DOINGEN.

FOR COUNCILOR FLAHERTY, MARK  
MCGRAPH AND THE ENTIRE CITY  
COUNCIL TONY MOLINA.

A MOMENT OF SILENCE, PLEASE.

THANK YOU.

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

WE ARE SCHEDULED TO MEET AGAIN  
ON WEDNESDAY NOVEMBER 28TH AT  
12:00 NOON IN THIS CHAMBER AT  
BOSTON CITY HALL.

ALL THOSE IN FAVOR OF  
ADJOURNMENT SAY AYE.

OPPOSED SAY NAY.

THE AYES HAVE IT, THE COUNCIL IS  
ADJOURNED.