

# City of Boston IN CITY COUNCIL



## OFFICIAL RESOLUTION

OFFERED BY

**Councilor Sharon Durkan**

Be It Resolved, that the Boston City Council  
Honors the Life and Legacy of:

**Fran Gershwin**

IN RECOGNITION OF:

Being a leader, advocate, and mentor whose lifelong devotion to environmental stewardship significantly shaped Boston's green spaces. As an educator and lawyer, she dedicated herself to public service and played a vital role in restoring the Muddy River, serving as chair of its Maintenance and Management Oversight Committee until 2022. With her leadership, neglected flood-prone areas were transformed into vibrant community assets, with citizens engaged as equal partners alongside the government. A passionate supporter of public parks, Fran was enthusiastic about expanding Boston's urban tree canopy and championing community initiatives, embodying her vision for a healthier, more sustainable city. This commitment not only preserved vital green spaces, but strengthened the bonds between communities and their natural surroundings. Known for her kindness, humility, and optimism, Fran's legacy continues to inspire those who knew her and the national movement for urban park advocacy.



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