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CITY OF BOSTON

IN THE YEAR TWO THOUSAND TWENTY FIVE

RESOLUTION RECOGNIZING THE FIRST EDITION OF THE DISTRICT 7 WORKBOOK

- WHEREAS,** The residents of District 7 have long demanded transparency, accountability, and equitable investment in their neighborhoods; *and*
- WHEREAS,** The District 7 Advisory Council, in collaboration with the Office of Councilor Tania Fernandes Anderson, has worked diligently to co-govern with residents and community leaders, prioritizing participatory governance, racial justice, and data-informed decision-making; *and*
- WHEREAS,** The District 7 Workbook represents the first comprehensive, community-facing tool of its kind, tracking policy priorities, budget allocations, constituent services, and neighborhood conditions to foster civic literacy, government accountability, and community power; *and*
- WHEREAS,** Councilor Tania Fernandes Anderson is the creator and principal author of the District 7 Workbook, 2025 Inaugural Edition, and led her team in designing, building, and implementing this pioneering tool as a blueprint for equitable governance, community empowerment, and sustained accountability; *and*
- WHEREAS,** The Workbook includes a full guide to District 7, from demographic data and historical context to investment gaps and legislative priorities, aiming to achieve true racial equity through strategic planning, public education, and informed advocacy; *and*
- WHEREAS,** The Workbook also serves as a civic education tool, teaching residents about the legislative process and offering practical worksheets, templates, and tracking tools that enable constituents to engage meaningfully in government oversight and neighborhood planning; *and*
- WHEREAS,** The Workbook documents the past and present harms experienced by District 7 communities, offering grounded recommendations for redress, healing, and structural transformation through policy, budget, and programmatic reforms; *and*
- WHEREAS,** This first edition was created not only to inform and engage today's residents but also to serve as a baton for continuity, ensuring that the collective work, wisdom,

and advocacy of District 7 endures through future leadership and generations;
NOW, THEREFORE BE IT

RESOLVED: That the Boston City Council formally recognizes and uplifts the inaugural edition of the District 7 Workbook as a visionary and historic model for civic engagement, equity-driven governance, and community-led planning; and that the Council commends the residents, Advisory Council members, contributors, and staff who brought this document to life, and affirms its support for the use of similar tools across all districts to strengthen transparency, racial equity, and participatory democracy in the City of Boston.

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