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CITY OF BOSTON IN CITY COUNCIL

RESOLUTION DESIGNATING A CITIZEN SQUARE AT
THE INTERSECTION OF BOYLSTON AND DARTMOUTH
STREET IN BACK BAY IN RECOGNITION OF LT. COL.
ENOCH “WOODY” WOODHOUSE

- WHEREAS,** Lt. Col. Enoch “Woody” Woodhouse was born on January 14, 1927 in Roxbury, grew up in Mission Hill, and attended Boston Public Schools; *and*
- WHEREAS,** Lt. Col. Woodhouse, on his 17th birthday, enlisted into the U.S. Army Air Corps in an all black segregated unit in 1944 following the attack on Pearl Harbor; *and*
- WHEREAS,** Lt. Col. Woodhouse was assigned to the 322 Fighter Wing at Moton Field, Tuskegee, Alabama, known as the “Tuskegee Airmen” where he was honored for distinguished service; *and*
- WHEREAS,** Lt. Col. Woodhouse – despite clear racist challenges he faced during his military service – served honorably, was discharged from active duty in 1949, and joined the Air Force Reserves until retiring in 1997; *and*
- WHEREAS,** Lt. Col. Woodhouse went on to graduate from Yale University in 1952 and Boston University School of Law in 1955 before practicing law at his own firm; *and*
- WHEREAS,** Lt. Col. Woodhouse further distinguished himself as a Department of State Diplomatic Courier in Europe, the Middle East, and was on the last flight out of Havana, Cuba, in 1959; *and*
- WHEREAS,** Lt. Col. Woodhouse has since been awarded the Congressional Gold Medal by President George W. Bush in 2007, and was appointed to the State Militia with the rank of Brigadier General by Governor Charlie Baker in 2022; *and*
- WHEREAS,** Lt. Col. Woodhouse has been a longtime champion and advocate for veterans and military families throughout his life; **NOW, THEREFORE BE IT**
- RESOLVED:** That the Boston City Council honors Lt. Col. Woodhouse for his service and sacrifice by designating a Citizen Square at the intersection of Boylston and Dartmouth Street in Back Bay

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