

OFFERED BY COUNCILOR MINIARD CULPEPPER



CITY OF BOSTON

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RESOLUTION DEMANDING THAT THE UNITED STATES IMMIGRATION AND CUSTOMS ENFORCEMENT DOES NOT CONDUCT CIVIL IMMIGRATION ENFORCEMENT ACTIVITIES AT OR SURROUNDING FENWAY PARK

WHEREAS, Fenway Park is a cherished Boston landmark and the oldest ballpark in the United States, having served as a gathering place for residents and visitors for over a century; *and*

WHEREAS, As the home of the Boston Red Sox, Fenway Park has long brought together people from all backgrounds, cultures, and communities, reflecting the diverse fabric of the City of Boston and the game of baseball; *and*

WHEREAS, Baseball is a global and multicultural sport, played and celebrated by individuals from across the world, and has historically served as a unifying force that transcends language, nationality, and identity; *and*

WHEREAS, On April 21, 2026, the Department of Homeland Security posted on the social media platform X an image of Fenway Park accompanied by the message, "Our nation and our people are worth fighting for."; *and*

WHEREAS, The presence of immigration enforcement activity at or surrounding Fenway Park is antithetical to the values of the City of Boston and the unifying spirit of baseball and undermines the inclusive environment that Fenway Park represents; *and*

WHEREAS, Boston has long prided itself on being a welcoming city that values diversity, protects civil rights, and fosters spaces where all residents can gather without fear; **NOW, THEREFORE BE IT**

RESOLVED: That the Boston City Council demands that the U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement and the Department of Homeland Security refrain from conducting civil immigration enforcement activities at or in the vicinity of Fenway Park and affirms that Fenway Park and the surrounding neighborhood must remain safe, welcoming, and accessible spaces for all residents and visitors regardless of immigration status, and further calls upon federal authorities to respect the

cultural and civic significance of Fenway Park as a unifying space for people of all backgrounds.

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