



**City Of Boston • Massachusetts
Office of the Mayor
Michelle Wu**

05-18-2026

TO THE CITY COUNCIL

Dear Councilors:

I hereby transmit for your approval an Order authorizing the City of Boston to accept and expend the amount of ONE HUNDRED SEVENTY-EIGHT THOUSAND DOLLARS **(\$178,000.00)** in the form of a grant, the RAY Fellowship grant, awarded by the Barr Foundation to be administered by the Environment.

The grant would fund a two-year, paid fellowship that provides recent college graduates from historically underrepresented communities with the professional experience, mentorship, and leadership development needed to launch careers in the environmental sector.

I urge your Honorable Body to adopt this Order so that the City of Boston may accept the funds expeditiously and expend them upon award for the purposes for which they are granted.

Sincerely,

Michelle Wu
Mayor of Boston



City Council Order

AN ORDER AUTHORIZING THE CITY OF BOSTON TO ACCEPT AND EXPEND the RAY Fellowship grant FUNDS, AWARDED BY the Barr Foundation.

WHEREAS, the the Barr Foundation, is being petitioned for the issuance of funds to the Environment; and

WHEREAS, the funds in the amount of ONE HUNDRED SEVENTY-EIGHT THOUSAND DOLLARS (**\$178,000.00**) would fund a two-year, paid fellowship that provides recent college graduates from historically underrepresented communities with the professional experience, mentorship, and leadership development needed to launch careers in the environmental sector. Therefore be it

ORDERED: that the Mayor, acting on behalf of the City of Boston be, and hereby is authorized, pursuant to section 53A of chapter 44 of the Massachusetts General Laws, to accept and expend the the Barr Foundation, the RAY Fellowship grant award not to exceed the amount of ONE HUNDRED SEVENTY-EIGHT THOUSAND DOLLARS (**\$178,000.00**).

Docket #

**In City Council
Passed**

City Clerk

Mayor

Approved

I hereby certify that
the foregoing, if passed in
the above form, will be in
accordance with law.

by 

Michael Firestone
Corporation Counsel