

OFFERED BY COUNCILOR BREADON



CITY OF BOSTON

IN THE YEAR TWO THOUSAND TWENTY SIX

RESOLUTION RECOGNIZING NATIONAL FARMERS MARKET WEEK

WHEREAS, National Farmers Market Week is celebrated annually during the first week of August to honor the important role that farmers markets play in supporting local agriculture while expanding access to fresh food; *and*,

WHEREAS, Farmers markets strengthen community connections and provide important opportunities for small farmers to sell directly to consumers helping to sustain family farms; *and*,

WHEREAS, Farmers markets serve as community anchors that foster social connection and create welcoming public spaces for residents to gather, learn, and engage with their neighbors; *and*,

WHEREAS, Boston farmers markets, including those in Allston-Brighton, Roxbury, Dorchester, East Boston, Mattapan, South Boston, and across the city play a critical role in advancing food access by accepting Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP), the Healthy Incentives Program (HIP) and other nutritional benefits, ensuring fresh local produce is available to all residents; *and*,

WHEREAS, The City of Boston recognizes the importance of strengthening local food systems, supporting regional farmers, and expanding equitable access to fresh food for all residents; *and*,

WHEREAS, National Farmers Market Week provides an opportunity to celebrate the folks who make these markets possible and contribute to a connected Boston; *NOW, THEREFORE BE IT*

RESOLVED: That the Boston City Council recognizes National Farmers Market Week and extends its appreciation to the farmers, producers, market managers, and community partners who support Boston's farmers markets and strengthen our local food system and encourages residents to visit and support their local farmers markets during National Farmers Market Week and throughout the year.

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