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CITY OF BOSTON IN CITY COUNCIL

RESOLUTION RECOGNIZING THE WEEK OF NOVEMBER 3 THROUGH 9, 2024 AS ELECTION WORKER APPRECIATION WEEK AND NOVEMBER 4, 2024 AS ELECTION HERO DAY IN THE CITY OF BOSTON

- *WHEREAS*, Boston Election Officials are anticipating a very busy election that will include more than 2,000 poll workers staffing Boston's 275 voting precincts that serve over 435,000 voters; *and*
- *WHEREAS*, Boston election officials and poll workers have already been hard at work supporting early voting across the City; *and*
- *WHEREAS*, Early voting and mail-in voting have gained popularity among the electorate, increasing the workload for our Election Department officials; *and*
- *WHEREAS*, Election officials and poll workers strive tirelessly through long days to protect the essential rights of all eligible voters to vote freely, without obstruction or influence; *and*
- *WHEREAS*, Election workers have faced attacks based on misinformation and unwarranted lies, yet have remained steadfast in their commitment to safe and secure elections, and deserve to be treated with dignity and respect; *and*
- *WHEREAS*, National Election Worker Appreciation Week was established in 2004 by the United States Election Assistance Commission to recognize election workers as unsung heroes; *and*
- *WHEREAS*, Election Hero Day was established as a nonpartisan, national celebration recognizing the tremendous contributions that election officials, their staff, and poll workers make to ensure a safe, secure voting experience for all Americans; *and*
- *WHEREAS*, Elections are the foundation of our democracy, and election workers are resolute in their efforts to protect an invaluable function to our country while maintaining public confidence in the outcome of our electoral processes; *NOW, THEREFORE BE IT*
- **RESOLVED:** That the Boston City Council proclaims the week of November 3 through 9, 2024 as Election Worker Appreciation Week and November 4, 2024 as Election Hero Day in the City of Boston.

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