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**CITY OF BOSTON
IN CITY COUNCIL**

**IN THE YEAR TWO THOUSAND
TWENTY-FIVE**

**RESOLUTION RECOGNIZING FEBRUARY 27TH, 2025 AS DOMINICAN
INDEPENDENCE DAY**

- WHEREAS,** The Dominican Republic declared its independence on February 27, 1844, marking the establishment of a sovereign nation and the beginning of a rich history of resilience, culture, and self-determination; *and*
- WHEREAS,** The Dominican community has made significant contributions to the social, cultural, economic, and political fabric of the City of Boston, enriching neighborhoods and strengthening the city's diverse heritage; *and*
- WHEREAS,** Boston is home to a vibrant Dominican population, with many families, business owners, and community leaders shaping the city's future through advocacy, entrepreneurship, education, and civic engagement; *and*
- WHEREAS,** Dominicans in Boston own over 550 businesses, contributing to the city's economic growth, job creation, and cultural vitality, strengthening commercial districts in neighborhoods; *and*
- WHEREAS,** Dominican Independence Day is a time to celebrate the perseverance and sacrifices of the patriots of including Juan Pablo Duarte, Francisco del Rosario Sánchez, and Matías Ramón Mella, who fought for the nation's sovereignty; *and*
- WHEREAS** This celebration serves as an opportunity to honor Dominican history, arts, music, and traditions while also recognizing the ongoing contributions of Dominican Bostonians to the city and beyond; *and*
- WHEREAS,** The City of Boston is committed to recognizing and uplifting the cultural heritage of all immigrant communities and stands in solidarity with Dominicans in commemorating this important day; ***NOW THEREFORE BE IT***
- RESOLVED,** In recognition of Dominican Republic Independence Day, the Boston City Council orders the Property Management Department to raise the flag of the Dominican Republic on February 27th, 2025.

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