OFFERED BY COUNCILOR ED FLYNN



CITY OF BOSTON IN CITY COUNCIL

RESOLUTION IN RECOGNITION OF TUSKEGEE AIRMEN COMMEMORATION DAY IN THE CITY OF BOSTON

- **WHEREAS:** During World War II, the Tuskegee Airmen were the first group of African American aviators in the U.S. Army Air Forces. They garnered much success and earned eight Purple Hearts, 14 Bronze Stars, and over 90 Distinguished Flying Crosses; *and*
- WHEREAS: The Tuskegee Airmen marks a significant chapter in our history as they encouraged the eventual integration of the U.S. Armed Forces, and in 1948, three years after the war, President Truman signed Executive Order 9981, ending segregation and establishing equality of treatment and opportunity in the military; and
- WHEREAS: On the fourth Thursday of every March, we recognize Tuskegee Airmen Commemoration Day, as well as their determination, grit, and humility. Since the founding of our country, African Americans soldiers have played an important role in the defense of our nation. Time and again, they have gallantly placed themselves in danger for the protection of our freedoms despite not being fully free themselves; and
- WHEREAS: They have been, and continue to be, an integral part of our military; without their contributions, our forces would not have accomplished many of its missions. The Tuskegee Airmen played a critical role in desegregating the United States military, and it is important that we, the Boston City Council, honor their service and sacrifice; and

NOWTHEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED:

That the Boston City Council recognizes March 27th, 2025 as Tuskegee Airmen Commemoration Day in the City of Boston.

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