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**CITY OF BOSTON
IN CITY COUNCIL**

An Ordinance Amending City of Boston Code, Chapter XV Section XI Creating a Commission on Black Men and Boys

WHEREAS, The Boston City Council passed an Ordinance Creating a Commission on Black Men and Boys in the summer of 2021, which was signed by then Mayor Janey; *and*

WHEREAS, Since its passing, changes to the ordinance have been needed to better reflect the organization and structure of the Commission and to better align with the City's charter; *and*

WHEREAS, We have a responsibility and an obligation to continue the work of uplifting the lived experiences of Black men and boys to ensure that we are designing all spaces from a framework of equity and justice; *and*

WHEREAS, Black men and boys of the City require an outlet for expressing their opinions and ideas and a place to rely on for information, advocacy, and action; **NOW THEREFORE BE IT**

ORDERED: That the City of Boston Code, Chapter XV Section XI shall be amended as follows:

SECTION 1

Section 15-11.2(c) *Chair* shall be stricken in its entirety and replaced with the following:

Chair: The Mayor shall appoint a member as the chairperson of the Commission

Section 15-11.2(d) *Compensation* shall be stricken in its entirety and replaced with the following:

Executive Director. The Mayor shall appoint an Executive Director to oversee and run the daily operations and administration of the Commission, which shall be a paid position. The Executive Director shall serve as the advisor of the Commission and shall have the powers of a department head with respect to the execution of contracts and matters of personnel management within said office. The Executive Director shall serve as a member of the Commission, ex officio and without additional compensation, and shall have an official vote on matters before the Commission.

A new section, Section 15-11.2(e) *Compensation* shall be added at the end thereof:
Compensation. The members shall serve without compensation.

SECTION 2.

Section 15-11.5: Effective Date.

This ordinance shall be effective upon passage.

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