



Official Resolution for

Mary Swanton and the Irish Pastoral Centre

OFFERED BY CITY COUNCILOR ERIN J. MURPHY

"ANSEO LE CHEILE" - "HERE TOGETHER"

WHEREAS: The Irish Pastoral Centre has been Supporting our Boston Irish Community with networking, social inclusion, personal well being, pastoral support, immigration and community resources for 36 years; *and*

WHEREAS: The Irish Pastoral Centre is committed to welcoming the "stranger among us", and they believe in justice for all immigrants. They describe themselves as a "parish without boundaries", welcoming all who show up at their door with a cup of tea and an open heart; and

WHEREAS: Their incredible senior outreach includes a weekly coffee club, knitting club, card nights, fish & chips night, phone check-ins, home visits, food support and networking; *and*

WHEREAS: The Irish Pastoral Centre hosts weekly sobriety programs, bereavement counseling, a mother and toddler group, an in- house social worker and housing support; *and*

WHEREAS: Executive Director Mary Swanton has helped the Centre grow to support more immigrant families since her leadership role in 2019; and

RESOLVED: That the Boston City Council sends its warm wishes to Mary Swanton, and the Irish Pastoral Centre, and thanks her for her advocacy for our immigrant community here in Boston.

	By:
President of the City Counci	<i>5</i>
	Attest:
Clerk of the City Council	
	Offered by:
	Date