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## **CITY OF BOSTON**

**IN THE YEAR TWO THOUSAND TWENTY SIX**

### **ORDER FOR A HEARING TO DISCUSS CAREER AND TECHNICAL EDUCATION IN BOSTON PUBLIC SCHOOLS AND ITS IMPACTS ON STUDENTS' COLLEGE AND CAREER READINESS**

**WHEREAS,** Preparing students for success after high school is a core responsibility of public education and includes readiness for college, careers, and postsecondary training; *and*

**WHEREAS,** Career and Technical Education (CTE) programs provide students with two years of hands-on learning experience in a particular industry, allowing them to cultivate industry-aligned skills and opening pathways to meaningful careers; *and*

**WHEREAS,** Boston Public Schools offers a range of CTE programs, early college initiatives, and career-connected learning opportunities designed to support diverse student interests and aspirations; *and*

**WHEREAS,** CTE includes traditional CH 74 vocational-technical education provided at Madison Park Technical Vocational High School, The English High School, Boston Green Academy, Edward Kennedy Health Careers Academy, and Boston Arts Academy, as well as career pathways provided within nine of Boston's comprehensive high schools; *and*

**WHEREAS,** College and career readiness efforts in Boston Public Schools include academic preparation, advising, work-based learning, dual enrollment, and partnerships with employers, institutions of higher education, and community organizations; *and*

**WHEREAS,** Upon graduation, Career and Technical Education students enter employment, apprenticeship and certificate programs, and, two and four-year colleges; *and*

**WHEREAS,** Understanding the scope, structure, and impact of these programs can inform policy discussions and strengthen postsecondary pathways for students across the district. **NOW, THEREFORE BE IT**

**ORDERED:** That the appropriate committee of the Boston City Council hold a hearing to examine Career and Technical Education and college and career readiness in Boston Public Schools. Representatives of Boston Public Schools, CTE and college and career readiness leadership will be invited, relevant partners be

invited to appear and provide testimony, and members of the public are encouraged to attend and testify.

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