

City of Boston
IN
CITY COUNCIL



Official Resolution For
Recognizing June 24th, 2023 as World Unity Day

WHEREAS: Boston is a dynamic city known for its tremendous diversity of many races and ethnicities. Boston can be a greater city as it strives towards a more equitable community where biases are reduced, and prejudice becomes a forgotten attitude through it's majority of residents who desire stronger communities, more vibrant neighborhoods, and closer connections with their neighbors; *and*

WHEREAS: There is no existing law, policy, or technology that can remove the unconscious biases that all humans have. The "Sun Poem" written in 1985 by activist Sara Ting, invites us to look within to see the common humanity we all share and challenges us to end our prejudice by stating: "Are you greater than the sun that shines on everyone: Black, Brown, Yellow, Red and White, the sun does not discriminate"; the Sun poem can ignite change inside our mind and heart; *and*

WHEREAS: Boston youth are the key to creating a better Boston that fully embraces the richness of its diversity and the power of human connectedness, and the Sun Poem is a simple yet effective way to teach inclusivity and unity to young kids and empowers individuals through the arts, education, and innovative ideas; *and*

WHEREAS: The poem continues to be a powerful tool to bridge differences, and will be recited at a June 24th event hosted by World Unity Inc. at Harbor Point in Dorchester, followed by a youth performance of "We All See The Stars" inspired by the Sun Poem and performed at the United Nations back in September 2015;

RESOLVED: That the Boston City Council hereby recognizes Sara Ting and her creation of the "Sun Poem" and World Unity Inc. for its progress towards a better Boston, and dedicates June 24th, 2023 as World Unity Day in the City of Boston.

By: _____
President of the City Council

Filed in Council: June 14, 2023

Attest: _____
Clerk of the City Council

Offered by: _____