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CITY OF BOSTON IN CITY COUNCIL

RESOLUTION DECLARING “POLISH CONSTITUTION DAY” IN THE CITY OF BOSTON

WHEREAS, Polish Constitution Day is celebrated on May 3rd each year, celebrating the signing of the Constitution of 3 May 1791; *and*,

WHEREAS, The Constitution of 3 May 1791 is regarded as the first liberal constitution of Europe, and second worldwide only preceded by the U.S. Constitution; *and*,

WHEREAS, Following its signing the neighboring monarchies responded by invading and partitioning Poland. In 1918 when Poland once again became independent, Constitution Day was commemorated as an official holiday; *and*,

WHEREAS, During both the Nazi and Soviet occupations from 1939 to 1989 Constitution Day persisted as a day for Polish solidarity, with many pro-democracy and pro-independence demonstrations taking place across the country; *and*,

WHEREAS, Polish immigrants have made significant contributions our city, with their legacy thriving across all sectors including our culture, businesses, government, labor and education. The Polish community has made strong roots in Boston, especially in Dorchester’s Polish Triangle;

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED,

That the Boston City Council recognizes May 3, 2025 as Polish Constitution Day in the City of Boston. In recognition, the Boston City Council ordered the Property Management Department to raise the Polish flag at 11:00am on May 7, 2025.

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