

CITY COUNCIL

RESOLUTION CELEBRATING DAVID SHEPHERD KING

WHEREAS, David King has been an active citizen and beloved community member throughout his life; and WHEREAS, David grew up in Sutton, Massachusetts, served in the US Army, and graduated from Boston University; and WHEREAS, David was the Chaplain at Amherst College in the 1950s and 60s and served on the Hartford School Committee; and WHEREAS, David participated in the Civil Rights Movement and was jailed for his desegregation activities; and WHEREAS, Upon moving to Boston where he lived with his late husband, Stanton Wesley Putnam, David became an engaged member of the community including by directing a ministry program; and WHEREAS, David has performed hundreds of weddings, funerals, and christenings, and is a cherished member of the Trinity Church and Old South Church communities; and WHEREAS, David is an active member of programs for gay and lesbian retirees, and is a widely beloved and deeply respected elder of Boston's LGBTQ+ community; and WHEREAS, David is also a long-time active member of the Boston Ward 4 Democratic Committee, which is grateful for his lifelong model of active civic engagement and passion for justice; NOW, THEREFORE BE IT **ORDERED:** That the Boston City Council celebrates David's 94th birthday and recognizes his continued role as a community leader and upstanding citizen in the Boston area and beyond. President of the City Council

Offered by:

Date:

EXACLER of the City of Boston