

OFFERED BY COUNCILOR BREADON



CITY OF BOSTON

IN THE YEAR TWO THOUSAND TWENTY SIX

RESOLUTION IN SUPPORT OF UNITED STATES POSTAL SERVICE REESTABLISHING A POST OFFICE LOCATION IN ALLSTON

WHEREAS, The Allston Post Office was closed in 2019 when the building that previously housed the Post Office was found to have structural issues, requiring the approximately 87,000 residents of Allston and Brighton to rely solely on the Brighton Post Office Branch in Brighton Center for the past seven years; *and,*

WHEREAS, In 2021, the former Allston Post Office site was purchased by real estate firm Eden Properties; as part of the site's redevelopment, Eden Properties worked with the United State Postal Service (USPS) to reestablish the Allston Post Office Branch in retail space situated on the ground floor of its proposed development; *and,*

WHEREAS, USPS agreed upon a letter of intent to occupy some of the ground-floor retail space in this development and reestablish the Allston Post Office in this location; subsequently, USPS sent a letter to Mayor Michelle Wu in June 2025 stating its intent to reopen a location in Allston; *and,*

WHEREAS, On April 23, 2026, Eden Properties announced the USPS backed out of the project, in spite of a fully negotiated lease and construction plans; *and,*

WHEREAS, Allston's immigrant communities, small business owners, and elderly residents rely heavily on the essential services that the Post Office provides, making it a vital resource for civic participation, economic activity, and daily life in the community; *and,*

WHEREAS, USPS provides essential services including but not limited to: secure and affordable mail and package delivery; access to P.O. boxes; passport application processing; money orders; certified and registered mail; delivery of medications and government documents; and reliable shipping services that support small businesses, residents without internet access, and individuals who depend on consistent mail delivery for financial, legal, and healthcare needs; *and,*

WHEREAS, The community of Allston has been waiting for seven years for the restoration of a local accessible post office location; ***NOW, THEREFORE BE IT***

RESOLVED: That the Boston City Council urges the United States Postal Service to reestablish a post office location in Allston and restore the essential services that are critical to the quality of life for residents.

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