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CITY OF BOSTON

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RESOLUTION DEMANDING THAT THE UNITED STATES IMMIGRATION AND CUSTOMS ENFORCEMENT DOES NOT STAFF VACANT TSA POSITIONS AT BOSTON LOGAN INTERNATIONAL AIRPORT

WHEREAS, United States Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) officers are being deployed to 14 major airports across the country to assist with Transportation Security Administration (TSA) operations during the ongoing partial federal government shutdown; *and*

WHEREAS, The current shutdown has forced TSA workers to work without pay, leading to workforce strain, including more than 30 TSA employees across New England leaving their positions since the shutdown began; *and*

WHEREAS, Despite these national staffing challenges, officials have indicated that airports in New England, including Boston Logan International Airport, remain sufficiently staffed and have not experienced the severe security line delays seen in other regions; *and*

WHEREAS, The potential deployment of ICE personnel to staff TSA checkpoints at Boston Logan International Airport raises serious concerns about the appropriate role of federal immigration enforcement in civilian transportation security operations; *and*

WHEREAS, Boston Logan International Airport is a major international gateway and often serves as a first point of entry for immigrants, refugees, and visitors to the Commonwealth of Massachusetts; *and*

WHEREAS, The presence of ICE agents in visible security roles at Logan Airport risks creating fear, confusion, and distrust among travelers, particularly immigrants and communities of color; *and*

WHEREAS, Staffing TSA checkpoints with ICE agents would undermine the City's values and send a harmful and contradictory message to residents, travelers, and immigrant communities; **NOW, THEREFORE BE IT**

RESOLVED: That the Boston City Council strongly opposes any effort to deploy United States Immigration and Customs Enforcement personnel to staff or supplement Transportation Security Administration positions at Boston Logan International Airport, demands that ICE not be utilized in any capacity at TSA security checkpoints at Logan Airport, and calls upon federal authorities, including the Department of Homeland Security, to ensure that airport security functions remain the responsibility of properly trained civilian TSA personnel in a manner consistent with the values of transparency, safety, and respect for all travelers.

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