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CITY OF BOSTON IN CITY COUNCIL

Resolution Supporting Boston's Police Officers and First Responders and Condemning Violence Against Those Who Serve

Whereas, in the early morning hours of October 5, 2025, a violent incident in the South End/Roxbury neighborhood resulted in a Boston Police cruiser being torched and officers assaulted while responding to an unlawful street takeover; and

Whereas, this incident underscores the real dangers faced by the men and women who wear the uniform, police officers, firefighters, and emergency medical personnel, who put themselves in harm's way every day to keep our city safe; and

Whereas, these individuals perform difficult and often dangerous work with professionalism and dedication, deserving the full support and gratitude of the communities they serve; and

Whereas, the families of our first responders also carry the weight of this sacrifice, hoping each day their loved ones return home safely; and

Whereas, our city's strength and public trust depend on standing firmly with those who protect and serve while ensuring that violence and lawlessness are never tolerated;

Now, therefore, be it resolved, that the Boston City Council stands in full support of all Boston Police officers, firefighters, EMS personnel, and other first responders; condemns in the strongest terms all acts of violence or intimidation directed toward them; and calls for full accountability for those responsible for the October 5th assault and arson.

Be it further resolved, that the Council reaffirms its commitment to ensuring Boston's first responders have the resources, respect, and protection they need to do their jobs safely, and that their families know this city stands with them, today and always.

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