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CITY OF BOSTON IN CITY COUNCIL

RESOLUTION RECOGNIZING BANGLADESH INDEPENDENCE DAY

- WHEREAS,** On March 26, 1971, Bangladesh declared its independence from Pakistan, marking the beginning of the Bangladesh Liberation War; *and*
- WHEREAS,** The struggle for independence was fueled by the desire for linguistic and cultural rights, with the people of Bangladesh asserting their distinct identity and heritage; *and*
- WHEREAS,** The Bangladesh Liberation War, lasting for nine months, resulted in significant sacrifices and loss of lives, with millions of Bangladeshis fighting for their freedom dignity; *and*
- WHEREAS,** On December 16, 1971, the Pakistan Army surrendered to the joint forces of Bangladesh and India, leading to the establishment of Bangladesh as an independent and sovereign nation; *and*
- WHEREAS,** Bangladesh Independence Day, observed annually on March 26th, is a symbol of the nation's resilience, courage, and commitment to freedom and democracy; *and*
- WHEREAS,** Bangladesh has made significant progress since independence, achieving milestones in various fields including literature, arts, culture, and sports; *and*
- WHEREAS,** The Bengali language, recognized as one of the most widely spoken languages in the world, is celebrated as a cornerstone of Bangladesh's cultural identity; *and*
- WHEREAS,** The vibrant cultural heritage of Bangladesh, including its traditional music, dance, literature, and cuisine, enriches the diversity of the global cultural landscape; *and*
- WHEREAS,** Bangladesh Independence Day serves as an occasion to honor the sacrifices of the freedom fighters, pay tribute to the martyrs, and reaffirm the nation's commitment to upholding the principles of democracy, equality, and justice; **NOW,**
THEREFORE BE IT
- RESOLVED:** The City of Boston extends its heartfelt recognition, profound honor, and jubilant celebration towards the remarkable achievement of Bangladesh Independence

Day on March 26th. This day acknowledges the significance of commemorating the nation's struggle for liberation and its achievements since independence. Additionally, the City of Boston will perform a flag raise to commemorate this important occasion.

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