Offered by City Councilors Julia Mejia, Breadon, Flynn, Louijeune, and Worrell



CITY OF BOSTON IN CITY COUNCIL

RESOLUTION CALLING FOR RECONSIDERATION OF THE BOSTON SCHOOL COMMITTEE NOMINATION PROCESS AND AFFIRMING THE NEED FOR GREATER CITY COUNCIL INVOLVEMENT

WHEREAS, The Boston School Committee plays a critical role in setting policy, overseeing

the budget, and guiding the future of Boston Public Schools, directly impacting

students, families, and educators across the city; and

WHEREAS, Members of the School Committee are currently selected through a process in

which a Nominating Panel reviews applicants and submits a list of candidates to the Mayor for appointment, leaving no formal role for the City Council to review,

question, or confirm those selected; and

WHEREAS, The lack of City Council involvement in this process limits transparency,

accountability, and the ability of residents, through their elected representatives,

to have a meaningful voice in shaping the leadership of Boston's public

education system; and

WHEREAS, The most recent vacancy on the School Committee highlights the need to

reconsider how nominees are identified, how community perspectives are incorporated, and how the process might be strengthened to ensure it reflects the

values and priorities of Boston's diverse communities; and

WHEREAS, While this review alone cannot address all of the structural concerns surrounding

School Committee appointments, it represents an important step toward

meaningful reform, greater oversight, and shared governance between the Mayor,

City Council, and the public; NOW THEREFORE BE IT

ORDERED: That the Boston City Council urges a reexamination of how members of the School Committee are nominated and appointed and recognizes that evaluating the most recent vacancy is only the beginning of broader efforts to ensure a process that is open, accountable, and reflective of Boston's communities, with a more defined role for the Council in future appointments.

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