OFFERED BY COUNCILOR RUTHZEE LOULIEUNE



CITY OF BOSTON IN CITY COUNCIL

RESOLUTION DECLARING MAY 13TH AS MAÉ DAY IN CELEBRATION AND MEMORY OF DEJAH NICOLE JENKINS-MINUS

- WHEREAS, Dejah Nicole Jenkins-Minus, affectionately known as Maé, was born on February 15, 1999, in Boston, Massachusetts, to the proud parents of Lamont Jenkins and Latoya Minus; and
- **WHEREAS,** Mae was a beacon of light, known for her bright smile and contagious laugh which endeared her to all those fortunate enough to know her; *and*
- *WHEREAS*, Mae tragically gained her heavenly wings on November 25, 2021, at the age of 22, a victim of domestic violence in Lowell, Massachusetts; *and*
- *WHEREAS*, Mae was a loving mother to her daughter, Dai'Lani Jenkins Minus, who remains a living testament to her mother's enduring spirit and love; *and*
- **WHEREAS,** Throughout her life, Mae was deeply involved in her community and education, and was an honor scholar and graduate of Burke High School in Boston; *and*
- **WHEREAS,** Mae is remembered as a beloved elder sister and a cherished member of her family and community, whose legacy of joy and resilience continues to inspire those who knew her; *and*
- **WHEREAS**, the memory of Mae serves as a call to action to combat domestic violence and protect other young adults from its devastating impact; *and*
- **WHEREAS,** it is appropriate to set aside a special day to remember the vibrant life of Mae, reflect on the preciousness of life, and foster community commitment to preventing violence and supporting victims; **NOW, THEREFORE BE IT**
- **RESOLVED:** That the Boston City Council declare that May 13th be designated as "Maé Day," a day to honor the memory of Dejah Nicole Jenkins-Minus, to celebrate the joy she brought into the lives of those around her, and to raise awareness and foster prevention of domestic violence;

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