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## CITY OF BOSTON IN CITY COUNCIL

### RESOLUTION CONDEMNING HOUSE REPUBLICANS ON THE TRANSPORTATION, HOUSING, AND URBAN DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE

- WHEREAS,** On July 18, 2023 the Republican majority on the House Transportation, Housing, and Urban Development Committee removed community project funding in support of LGBTQ+ organizations; *and*
- WHEREAS,** Community project funding was part of the federal Fiscal Year 2024 appropriations bill, a committee markup for the 2024 Transportation, Housing, and Urban Development spending bill.; *and*
- WHEREAS,** Of the 2,680 projects previously approved the new amendment by House Republicans strike three projects which all serve the LGBTQ+ community in Massachusetts and Pennsylvania; *and*
- WHEREAS,** Among the projects stripped from the bill was the \$2 million funding for The Pryde, an affordable senior housing project in Hyde Park; *and*
- WHEREAS,** The \$2 million requested by Congresswoman Ayanna Pressley (D-MA-07) would support the construction of 74 units of high quality, affordable housing for seniors in Boston; *and*
- WHEREAS,** The project will also include 10,000 square feet of community space and will help close the gap between the capital funding secured at the launch of this project and the increasing cost to complete it; *and*
- WHEREAS,** Actions by House Republicans is yet another example of the attack on the rights and livelihood of the LGBTQ+ community that will not be tolerated; ***NOW, THEREFORE BE IT***
- ORDERED:** That the Boston City Council strongly condemn the actions of House Republicans on the Transportation, Housing, and Urban Development Committee and stand resolute with the LGBTQ+ community in creating safe and welcoming spaces across the City of Boston.

Filed on: July 19, 2023