

OFFERED BY COUNCILORS ERIN J. MURPHY & ED FLYNN

CITY OF BOSTON IN CITY COUNCIL

RESOLUTION TO CALL FOR AN INDEPENDENT INVESTIGATION INTO CITY HALL TERMINATIONS, RETALIATION CLAIMS, AND SUPERVISORY CONDUCT

WHEREAS, two City Hall employees were recently terminated following a domestic assault that led to their arrests in May 2025; and

WHEREAS, the woman, Marwa Khudaynazar, has since alleged that her firing was retaliatory resulting from her rejection of inappropriate advances by a senior administration official, Segun Idowu, who invited her to meet him at a hotel. She further alleges that her internal attempts to raise these concerns were ignored, and that she was ultimately terminated to shield him from accountability; and

WHEREAS, the Mayor's Office has publicly stated that both employees were terminated solely due to the incident itself and that an internal review found no wrongdoing by Segun Idowu; and

WHEREAS, these conflicting narratives raise serious concerns about potential retaliation, ethical lapses, and political protection within City Hall—undermining employee trust in the integrity of internal accountability processes; and

WHEREAS, the Administration has hired external law firm Stoneman, Chandler & Miller LLP to assist with the new review, yet still partially overseen and interacted with by the Administration;

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT ORDERED: That the Boston City Council calls for a fully independent, third-party investigation into the circumstances surrounding the firing of both employees, the retaliation allegations made by Marwa Khudaynazar, the conduct and influence of Segun Idowu, and the broader ethical climate of the workplace, particularly regarding supervision and employee protections within City Hall.