

# The City of Boston

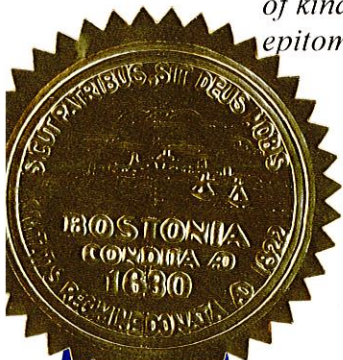


## PROCLAMATION

- Whereas:** *The events of April 15, 2013 and the days that followed are forever etched in our hearts and in our minds, from those who did not make it home and the hundreds who sustained injuries, to the compassion and heroism shown by the first responders, the doctors and the nurses, and the marathon volunteers that personified the notion of One Boston; and*
- Whereas:** *On that day the people of Boston, our neighbors from next door and from around the world, came together to take care of each other, triumphing over that hateful act, not to be defeated; We rose up for one another, not because we were asked to, but because that spirit of community and helping strangers in need exists in the very core of this City and its people; and*
- Whereas:** *The camaraderie and spirit of togetherness continued beyond that day, and that week, and that year, fostered the essence of togetherness and resiliency. The courage shown by Bostonians, both far and near, set in stone the spirit of the City and set the tone for the future; and*
- Whereas:** *To celebrate the resilience, the generosity, and the strength of the people that make Boston the great City that it is, we not only remember and reflect, but we should act as we have before, and lend a hand, greet our neighbors, care for each other, protect one another, and give back to the people and places of the City that we love. We should be reminded of the beacon of hope that has so often shown above and throughout this City's neighborhoods and go above and beyond to keep that hope and strength and fortitude and sense of community a part of each and every day; now*
- Therefore,** *I, Martin J. Walsh, Mayor of the City of Boston, do hereby join with the people of Boston declaring April 15th*

## **One Boston Day**

*in perpetuity, within the City of Boston. I ask that we come together to honor the bravery, the resolve, and the unity of the City by reaching out, helping those in need, committing random acts of kindness, and inspire the passion for perpetuating goodwill, love, and pride. Together, we can epitomize the spirit of the City to show that we exist as One Boston.*



  
MAYOR