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Poll: Voters largely up-for-grabs in mayor's race Wu, Janey lead pack; Covid, housing top issues

By BILL FORRY
EDITOR

A poll of Boston voters conducted by The MassInc Polling Group last week shows that the race for mayor of Boston remains wide open as six candidates— including four women who now serve

as city councillors— seek a four-year term as the city's top political leader.

The poll of 552 registered voters who live in the city was co-sponsored by the Dorchester Reporter, WBUR and The Boston Foundation and conducted

between April 7-11. It was conducted in two languages: English and Spanish.

The findings suggest that nearly half of the city's electorate— 46 percent— are undecided about whom they are likely to support. However, two candidates— Mi-

chelle Wu and Acting Mayor of Boston Kim Janey— lead the pack in the early stages. Wu, a citywide councillor now in her fourth term and the best-known candidate at this juncture, garnered 19 percent of voter support

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| Kim Janey | 18% |
| Michelle Wu | 19% |
| Andrea Campbell | 4% |
| Jon Santiago | 3% |
| Annisssa Essaibi George | 6% |
| John Barros | 3% |
| Don't know / Undecided | 46% |
| Refused | 1% |
| Total | 552 |

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Source: The MassInc Polling Group

One on One with Secretary Walsh 'I've left the city in a really strong position'

By BILL FORRY
EDITOR

US Labor Secretary Marty Walsh spoke to the *Reporter* this week for his first one-on-one interview with Boston media since he resigned as mayor on March 22. Now three weeks into his tenure as a cabinet member, he talked about his new (hybrid) commute, the conflict he felt about leaving City Hall, and his hopes for what comes next for his successor(s).

Q. How is your new commute?

A. Right now, you know, because of Covid, most of the work is being done remotely. There's very strict protocols in place right now across the federal government. I've been down to DC every week since the job started. But I'm commuting back and forth. Eventually, I will be doing a lot more time in Wash-



Secretary of Labor Marty Walsh is shown being interviewed for a TV news program from the Department of Labor building in Washington, D.C. Walsh continues to split his time between the nation's capitol and his home in Dorchester.

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ington and around the country, but because of Covid and some restrictions, I haven't done a lot of traveling yet.... I had to be at a cabinet meeting two weeks ago at the White House. It's hard to

really build a team, and build camaraderie in a team when you're doing it remotely. The difference is that when I was the mayor and we went full remote due to Covid, we had already built a

team in this particular case... But the people at the Department of Labor are great, great to work with. Lots of good people, lots of dedicated people...

Q. How are you adjusting to being "former" Mayor Walsh? Has that sunk in yet?

A. Yeah, it's shifting every day as we move on. The best way to explain this job is that some of the skills that I learned being mayor have definitely been helpful, but honestly, a lot of it is from the State House, being a legislator. Working to build relationships, to build allegiances. A lot of that work happens here in this new role. It's about relationships really, and you know, whether it's internal policy, a lot of policy work. As mayor, you have to make a decision quickly and it affects people in-

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A trash-strewn embankment along the southeast expressway near Tenean Beach. Bill Walczak photo

Insult to injury: State property in Dorchester littered with trash

By BILL WALCZAK
REPORTER COLUMNIST

In 1954, construction began on the Southeast Expressway, with Dorchester the chosen path for a highway that would allow for hundreds of thousands of suburbanites to get to and from downtown Boston. Not only did leaders of our Commonwealth decide to place their busiest highway into Boston in Dorchester, but its designers decided that it would be put on an embankment as much as 15-30 feet high in most sections, except in Savin Hill, where it would slice below grade. These high

embankments above grade and the high walls for sections below grade block much of Dorchester from its waterfront.

The state has also installed subways and

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Dot roomies boost NWHL champ Boston Pride

By KATIE PEDERSEN
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On Saturday, March 27, in a nail-biter of a game played at their home city's Warrior Ice Arena, the Boston Pride of the National Women's Hockey League (NWHL) defeated the Minnesota Whitecaps, 4-3, on a power-play goal by Taylor Wenczkowski with six minutes to go in regulation to become the first two-time winner of the Isobel Cup, the symbol of the



Taylor Turnquist lines up a shot in the championship game against the Minnesota Whitecaps.

Boston Pride photo

league's championship.

Pride General Manager Karilyn Pilch was full of praise for both teams after the game. "We played an excellent game against each other," she said. "For people to see that *that's* what we're going to bring to the table is a big moment for us," she said, referring to how NWHL teams play hockey and the fact that the game was broadcast by ESPN.

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Bullet kills grandmother on her front porch on Olney St.

A 73-year-old woman was shot and killed while sitting on her porch on Olney Street in Dorchester on Saturday evening (April 10). Boston Police identified the victim as Delois Brown and said she was not the intended target. The shooting happened just before 6 p.m. near 19 Olney St. Brown's daughter, Shirley, said her mother was surrounded by children when she was shot. WCVB-TV reported that Brown's family knows the identity of the gunman. No arrest has been reported.

"It just does not seem real that she is gone," he daughter said. "How can you be so reckless and careless? A lot of kids were out here."

Suffolk County District Attorney Rachael Rollins said the perpetrator will be held accountable. "We are going to be prosecuting people that have guns. You will be sent away and there will be no recourse for you," she told reporters



Delois Brown, left, was shot to death on Saturday. *Brown family photo*

near the murder scene.

Police are urging anyone with information about the shooting to contact them at 617-343-4470. For anonymous tips, call 1 (800) 494-TIPS or text the word "TIP" to CRIME (27463).

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A 25-year-old Randolph man was arrested last Friday (April 9) for the

February murder of 32-year-old Brandon Williams outside of his home on Evans Street. Darren Gillespie was arrested in Mansfield and charged with murder. Williams was found shot to death in his vehicle on the night of Feb. 4.

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Acting Mayor Kim Janey on Monday ordered an immediate review of files related to former Boston Police officer Patrick Rose, who was accused of sexual assault in the 1990s. A Boston Globe investigation published on Sunday found the BPD determined Rose likely committed a crime, but allowed him to stay on the force. He eventually became president of the patrolman's union and served on the force until 2018. He was arrested last summer and charged with 33 counts of sexual abuse against minors.

"In keeping with the law, any in-

formation that could compromise the identities of victims of sexual assault and domestic violence must be redacted," Janey said in a statement. "However, we have an equally compelling obligation to ensure transparency with the public because withholding information only serves to erode the public's trust."

Janey called it "baffling" that Rose remained with the department for decades after he was first investigated and was not subsequently prevented from coming into contact with other minors. The acting mayor said she plans to finalize an offer to hire a leader for the Boston Office of Police Accountability and Transparency (OPAT), a watchdog agency signed into law earlier this year. Janey said the city's upcoming annual budget proposal "includes significant funding to successfully launch this office."

UPCOMING CIVIC MEETINGS AND COMMUNITY EVENTS

BPDA hosts meeting on new South Bay area project — A virtual public meeting is set for Tues., April 27 from 6-8p.m.to discuss a revised proposal by Bass Realty Inc for the construction of a mixed-use development at that includes 403 residential units,14,665 square feet of retail space, on and off-street vehicle parking, new public open space, and public realm improvements. It will occupy an approximately 3.88-acre site fronting Boston Street and Enterprise Street in Dorchester after the demolition of existing structures on the site. Public comment on the project is open through May 7. Contact Raul Duverge at 617-918-4492 or raul.duverge@boston.gov The meeting's Zoom link: bit.ly/JKWPublicMeeting2 Toll Free: (833) 568 - 8864 Meeting ID: 160 652 9528

The northwest parking lot of Pope

John Paul II Reservation playground in Neponset will be closed through July 7 to accommodate staging for playground repair work, according to the Department of Conservation and Recreation. The lot was closed on Thursday, April 8. The closure will be clearly marked. Visitors are encouraged to use the parking area to the northeast when visiting the park.

SuccessLink — the City of Boston's online tool that enables Boston youth to register for summer jobs— is now accepting applications through May 9 for Boston teens aged 15 to 18. For more information on DYEE's summer employment program and additional youth resources, visit youth.boston.gov.

The Neponset River Watershed Association seeks volunteers for its annual spring clean-up of the Neponset on Sat., April 17 from 9 a.m.-noon

Volunteers will spread out across the Neponset River to help with the cleanup. You can choose the site you wish to be at in the registration form at neponset.org/cleanup2021.

O'Donnell featured at May 2 annual meeting for NepRWA — MSNBC host and Dorchester native Lawrence O'Donnell will be the featured guest speaker at the May 2 annual meeting of the Neponser River Watershed Association. The virtual meeting is a ticketed event (\$50 for regular admission and \$40 for active volunteers) that starts at 6:30 p.m. and includes door prizes. See Neponset.org for more info.

The Saint Mark's Area Civic Association's monthly meetings are held on Zoom on the last Tuesday of the month at 7 p.m. Meetings are held monthly except July, August, and December. Members and other neighbors are welcome to attend. If

you would like to attend a meeting, please send an email to the civic association at smacadot@msn.com and we will send you a link to the meeting.

Mayor's Cup Street Hockey Tournament starts April 20 — Mayor Martin J. Walsh and the Boston Parks and Recreation Department will host the 2021 Mayor's Cup Street Hockey Tournament in partnership with the Boston Bruins Foundation during the April public school vacation week. To register or for more information, please contact Damien Margardo at damien.margardo@boston.gov or call 617- 961-3083.

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has been pared down to just under \$400 million for FY22, in comparison with last year's appropriation of \$414 million. However, as Boston's police and fire departments are allowed to exceed their annual funding levels, police in reality received \$421 million in FY21, a spike that Sterritt chalked up to increases in retirement, medical leave, and more frequent details related to elections and protests. The \$21 million reduction is mainly comprised of overtime cuts and was made in reference to last year's real spending total of \$421 million.

Finally, a series of "Recovery, Reopening, and Renewal" investments will put nearly \$40 million toward post-Covid relief efforts, including youth jobs, the Age Strong commission, substance use and mental health supports, housing and homelessness, and economic development for hard-hit industries like the arts, tourism, and small businesses.


Janey's proposed budget was set to be submitted to the Boston City Council on Wednesday. The council typically holds hearings to review the budget before voting to approve or oppose it in the coming weeks.

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Janey backs fare-free bus rides, eyes Mattapan-Ruggles pilot

By KATIE LANNAN
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NEWS SERVICE

Free public transportation “would be great,” according to Boston’s acting mayor, who also said last week that she hopes state officials are looking at ways to use federal aid to make transit more equitable.

Mayor Kim Janey said in a radio interview she has been a “strong advocate” for making the MBTA’s 28 bus route — which runs from Mattapan to Ruggles Station — free to riders, and that she is looking at ways to do so via a pilot program.

“It will hopefully increase ridership. It will also help with the on-time boarding because it’ll be, you know, no need to go through your bag and look for change and where’s your CharlieCard and tapping it,” she said during a GBH radio appearance. “So, it will also increase the speed at which our buses flow through our city, and I think that is very important. As we do this pilot, it’s important that we measure those things so we can see success and hopefully build from there.”

The MBTA is a state-operated system. Its fares, last raised in 2019 over the objection of transit advocates and some Boston officials, are

voted on by the agency’s oversight board. The 2019 fare hike did not increase the cost of bus rides.

Co-host Jim Braude asked Janey if she would be open to free transit across the whole system — she said she would be — and if so, what steps would be required to get her there.

“It’s obviously going to cost money,” Janey replied, noting that the MBTA is facing financial challenges.

The idea of free bus trips would need some buy-in from the MBTA, which has been under fire for service cuts it implemented in response to significant drops in ridership during the pandemic. While fewer riders mean less fare revenue for the T, the federal government has steered large amounts of relief aid to the transit agency.

As federal relief funds land in Massachusetts, Janey said, it is important to “look at piloting and see how we can use some of that federal money to get free buses.”

“And I would say that we cannot continue to put the burden on our riders, particularly those who rely on bus transportation,” she said. “Boston is the economic engine, not just for the commonwealth but for New England, and it’s

important that we put all of that burden on bus riders, particularly when we know that they’re more likely to be poor, more likely to be elderly, more likely to be people of color, so it is important that we think about ways that we can make this more equitable. I understand that there are challenges which is why I — at the state level as well as the city level — am looking at that federal money and I hope our state partners are as well.”

Janey, who was elevated from city council president to acting mayor on March 22, announced last week that she will run for a full term in the fall. Other candidates have staked out positions on public transportation fares — City Councilor Michelle Wu supports a fare-free transit system, and Councilor Andrea Campbell says in her transportation platform that she would work with state officials and others toward eliminating bus fares.

When she was elected city council president in January 2020, Janey highlighted the idea of free buses in her opening address, saying, “We must find new ways to tackle old problems, like free MBTA buses to increase ridership and improve traffic flow in our city.”

As mayor, Janey has a driver. She said she still sometimes rides the T, though it can be “a bit of a production,” she said.

“But it’s important. It’s a way that I connect and stay grounded and see firsthand the challenges with our public transit

and also interact with residents in our city to see how things are going.”



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Schoolkids who get ‘Back in Motion’ can help out their schools

By DANIEL SHEEHAN
REPORTER STAFF

This month, Dorchester elementary students will have a chance to win money for their schools through exercise, thanks to \$25,000 in grants recently announced by The Boston Foundation and The Reebok Foundation as part of Boston Back in Motion, an initiative aimed at inspiring young Bostonians to stay active as schools transition back to in-person learning. Boston Back in Motion is a month-long campaign, online toolkit, and fitness challenge program to get young people in grades 1 through 8 engaged in daily movement. Each week, participants are asked to complete a survey about the amount of movement their class/program achieved. The schools or community-based organizations with the most participation at the end of April will receive prizes. The grand prizes will include a \$5,000 grant from The Boston Foundation to a winning school or community-based organization (if the winner is a classroom, \$2,500 will go to the school and \$2,500 will go directly to the classroom with the highest amount of participation) and a Play Ball Event hosted by The Red Sox Foundation.



Pat the Patriot featured in a recent Boston Back in Motion promo video encouraging kids to get active.

Four finalist schools or community-based organizations serving young people will receive a \$5,000 grant. Three grants will be funded by The Boston Foundation and one grant by The Reebok Foundation. Additionally, participants in the Boston Back in Motion program will be entered to win a variety of prizes on a weekly basis, including over \$3,000 worth of Reebok gift cards, courtesy of The Reebok Foundation, Boston sports memorabilia, and Boston Back

in Motion merchandise. “It’s been a challenging year and kids in Boston need to be inspired to move and remain active now more than ever,” said Elizabeth Pauley of The Boston Foundation. “Through Boston Back in Motion, we’re thrilled to be able to provide grants and prizes that will help motivate schools and non-profits to help kids find joy through movement this spring.” Additionally, during April Vacation, Boston Back in Motion will host a “Show Us Your Moves”

Social Media Challenge. Daily raffle prizes will be distributed via social

media on Instagram and Twitter to any Boston Back In Motion partici-

Sunday talk details annexation of Dot by Boston in 1870


The Dorchester Historical Society (DHS) will host a virtual Zoom event examining the 1870 annexation of Dorchester by Boston— and its impact on development— next Sunday (April 18) from 2 p.m. to 4 p.m. DHS President Earl Taylor will host the illustrated presentation,


which will examine how the dramatic increase in residential development in the years just before and after the 1870 annexation of the Town of Dorchester to the City of Boston was spurred in part by the desire to provide housing for the city’s burgeoning population. Using historical imag-

pants who demonstrate how they are moving by posting a message or video with their favorite moves and tagging @Bos_InMotion with #BostonBackinMotion. The effort is being led by The Boston Foundation through a partnership with Playworks New England, BOKS Kids, and BPS Moves Together as well as Boston-based institutional partners such as the Red Sox Foundation, the Boston Bruins Foundation, the New England Revolution Charitable Foundation, the New England Patriots Foundation, The Boston Athletic Association, and others who continue to join the movement. For more information on Boston Back in Motion and to sign-up, please visit BostonBackinMotion.com.

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The Proposed Project as described in the Supplemental Filing that the Proponent submitted to the BPDA on March 26, 2021, consists of the demolition of the existing structures which occupy an approximately 3.88-acre site fronting Boston Street and Enterprise Street in Dorchester and the construction of a mixed-use development that includes 403 residential units, 14,665 square feet of retail space, on and off-street vehicle parking, new public open space, and public realm improvements. The development team is also seeking approval of a Development Plan for a Planned Development Area (PDA) in connection with the Proposed Project.

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Dot artist Cliff Notez donned a new yellow Sox jersey as part of the team's new look campaign.
Photo courtesy Boston Red Sox

Dot's artist Notez featured in Red Sox new-look promo

By DANIEL SHEEHAN
ARTS & FEATURES
EDITOR

Dorchester artist Cliff Notez is one of several Boston-area cultural trailblazers being featured in the Red Sox' latest media campaign accompanying the roll-out of their new yellow and powder blue "City Connect" jerseys inspired by the Patriots Day holiday and the Boston Marathon.

In a video Q&A filmed at the Strand Theatre and posted to the organization's social media earlier this week, Notez donned one of the new jerseys and spoke to what it means to be an artist of color from Boston.

"We're very proud of where we're from, and we believe in where we're from, and we stand strong together as a community, as a creative community, and I think that's a big part of why we're so resilient and so strong to this day," said Notez. "We believe in us being what we are, despite what the rest of the world is."

The new alternate uniforms, notably lacking the Sox' storied red color scheme, mark a departure from tradition. In an interview with ESPN, Red Sox chief marketing officer Adam Grossman explained that the move was calculated to "push the envelope"

and "be bold" in bringing in new supporters to the fanbase.

"This is not meant to replace our crisp whites," said Grosman. "That's not what this is about; it's about connecting and having other people look at us differently, especially younger more diverse crowds. We embrace that, and it's important to acknowledge and celebrate that, and that's what this represents."

In his interview, Notez made a connection between the Sox' new look and the risk taking that is a core element of his artistic process.

"I think it's important within that creative process to push boundaries because especially when we're thinking about the resilience and pride of being a Bostonian, and especially being a person of color—a lot of people who aren't from Boston don't know that Black people exist here. It's like, not only are we from Boston, you guys are gonna see exactly what we do and you're gonna be shocked, because we've been doing this for a while...the fact that we've been able to make it this far in this tough city only makes us want to make it that much more successful."

The team will wear the yellow and blue uniforms for the first time on April 17 and 18 against the White Sox.

BGCD alumnus Tome Barros joins board of directors

Tome Barros, Director of Training for Northeastern University's Center for the Study of Sport, has joined the Board of Directors of the Boys & Girls Clubs of Dorchester (BGCD).

Barros grew up in Dorchester and learned to play basketball at BGCD. Before coming to Northeastern University, Barros served as director of the "Train the Trainer" program for NBA China, providing curriculum, skill development training and high-quality coaching to more than 2,000 coaches. He also served as the Basketball Operations Coordinator for the National Basketball Association in Madrid, Spain, where he collaborated with basketball federations and key stakeholders to grow the game of basketball across Europe and the Middle East.

"Boys & Girls Clubs of Dorchester gave me a true foundation for success and instilled in me many of the character and leadership skills that I carry with me today," Barros said. "I was guided by staff members at the Club who truly cared about my well-being and

safety and who are still at the Club today. I am honored and humbled to now come full circle and be asked to serve on the Board. I look forward to being able to help provide some of the same opportunities that I was given."

In 2010, Barros became the first-ever recipient of the Shooting Touch Fellowship Program, where he helped build and refurbish basketball courts in Brazil, Cape Verde, and Senegal.

Barros was a member of BGCD during the 2000s and had an active leadership role in the Club's Keystone Club, which provides academic, career preparation and community service opportunities for teens. In 2004, Barros was honored as the Club's Youth of the Year. He is a graduate of Boston College High School and Hampton University.

"It is a pleasure to have Tome join our Board of Directors at BGCD," said Bob Scannell, President & CEO of BGCD. "At a very early age Tome showed all of us at the Club that he is a leader. Throughout the years Tome has continued to serve the Club and



Tome Barros
the community. We are honored to have him join us."

Mike Joyce, Senior Vice President of Operations at BGCD, mentored Barros when Barros was a member of the Club.

"I am thrilled to see Tome join our Board of Directors," Joyce said. "He was an outstanding leader during his time as a member and I know he will bring that same dedication and enthusiasm to his new role as a Board Member."

Barros is currently a member of the Club's Dorchester Field House Advisory Committee, a group of about 15 people from diverse backgrounds from across the city who are helping to design and create programming for the proposed facility.

Dorchester's Kia Minor has joined The Bulfinch Group, a wealth management firm headquartered in Needham with offices throughout New England. After four years as Babson College's Assistant Women's Basketball coach, Minor decided that she wanted a more hands-on approach to coaching individuals and professionals to help develop and achieve mid and long-term financial goals.

"We are pleased to have Kia join our organization," said Bulfinch Group President Seth Medalie. "Kia brings a wealth of knowledge



regarding the complexities of business development and wealth protection to her new post."

Minor earned a Bachelor of Arts dual-degree in Elementary Education and Sociology at Framingham State University and a Master of Science (M.S.), focused in Sports Business Management from Manhattanville College, while also serving as their women's Assistant Basketball coach. A Martha's Vineyard native, Kia now resides in Dorchester with her husband and four children.

Kia Minor

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Dorchester's Street Railways



An undated and unsigned photo of a horse-drawn streetcar headed to or from Mount Pleasant/Fields Corner/Dorchester Ave. via Uphams Corner. The red lines on the accompanying map show the horse railways in the Boston area in 1876.

Street railways were pulled by horses along tracks on the surface streets. The first corporation to receive a charter from the Legislature to run the railways was the Dorchester and Roxbury in 1852., which was authorized to construct a railway with single or double tracks from Meeting House Hill along Hancock and Stoughton streets to the Roxbury line and from Codman

Square along Washington Street to Roxbury, where it would connect with the Metropolitan Railroad Company.

The Dorchester Avenue Railway Company was begun in 1854, but after failing to meet the terms of its charter, it was succeeded by The Dorchester Railway Company, which was granted the route from Lower Mills along the Dorchester Turnpike (Dorchester Avenue) to



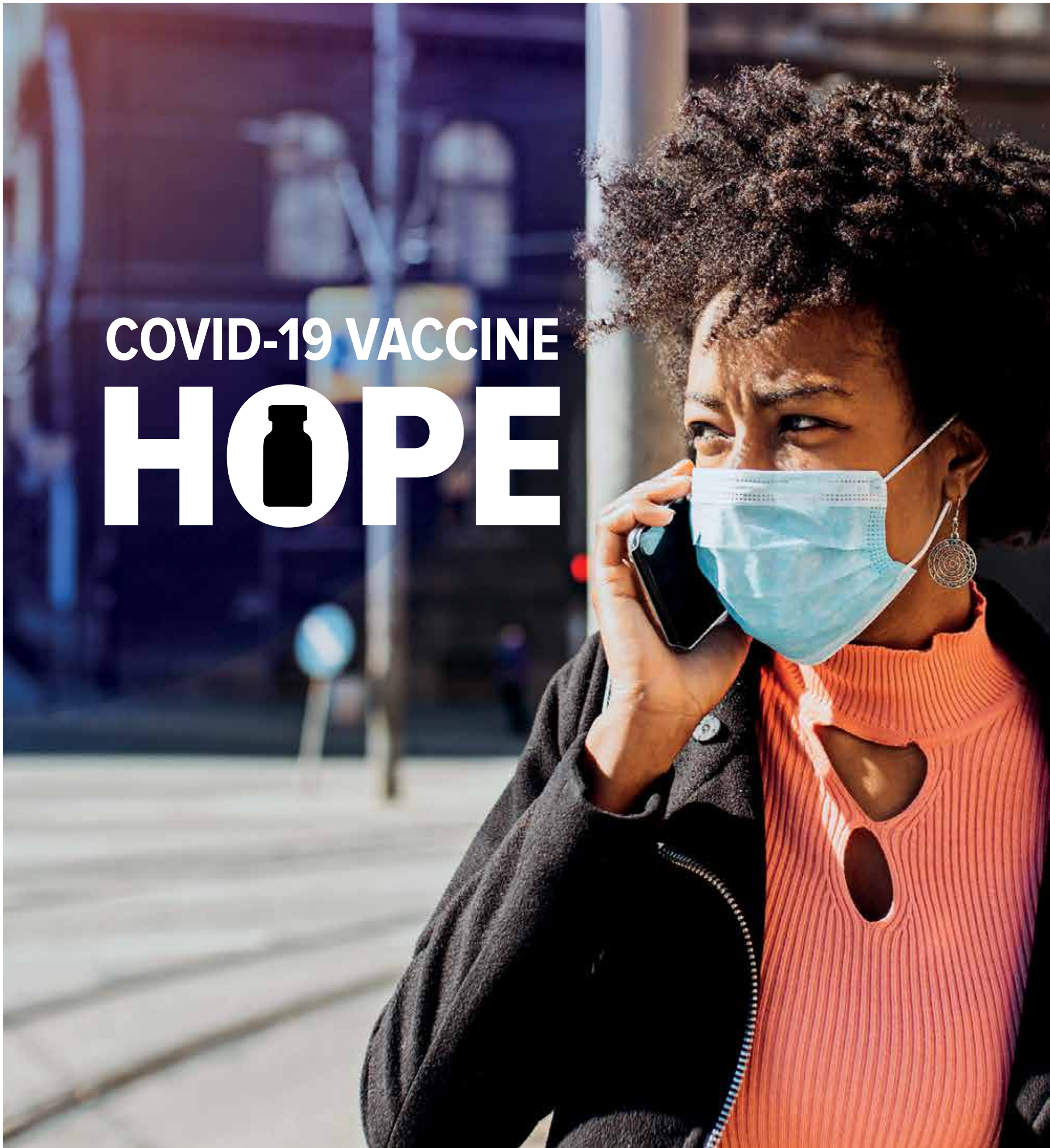
the edge of Boston, then through South Boston and over the Federal Street Bridge.

In 1863-1864, both lines came under the control of the Metropolitan Railroad Company.

In the late 1880s and 1890s, the street railways were electrified.

The archive of these historical posts can be viewed on the blog at dorchestherhistoricalociety.org

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Poll: Voters are largely up-for-grabs in mayor’s race

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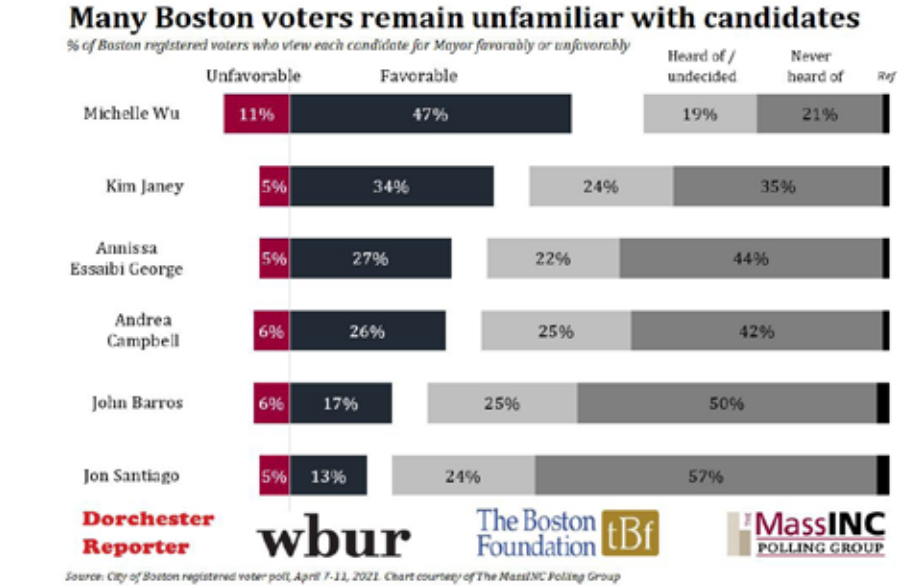
in the poll. Janey, who has served as mayor since March 22, is already benefitting from the high-profile role: She placed just behind Wu with 18 percent.

The rest of the field was in single-digit territory with Annissa Essaibi George at 6 percent, Andrea Campbell at 4 percent, and Jon Santiago and John Barros both at 3 percent. One percent of those surveyed declined to pick a favorite.

Wu and Campbell have both been running for the seat since last fall when now-US Secretary of Labor Marty Walsh was still seen as a likely candidate to run for re-election. Essaibi George, a Dorchester woman who is an at-large councilor, joined the contest right after Walsh was nominated for the Biden cabinet post in January. Jon Santiago, a state representative from the Back Bay, was next in, followed by John Barros, who served as Boston’s economic development chief until recently.

Finally, last week, Janey — who was thrust into the mayor’s job upon Walsh’s confirmation last month, dived into the race last week.

“It’s still really early,” explained Steve Koczela, the president of The MassINC Polling Group.



“Large swaths of voters have no particular view of the candidates and will be forming their views in the coming weeks and months.”

He added: “Being mayor is certainly a boost to Janey. More voters will get to know her as mayor, while other candidates will need to find other ways to draw attention and support.”

The poll also took a measure of “favorability” and found that Walsh ended his tenure with a strong majority — 59 percent — saying that they have a “favorable” view of him and the job he did. Twenty percent viewed him as “unfavorable.” Michelle Wu was next highest in the ranking at 47 percent favorable,

with 11 percent registering an “unfavorable” opinion of her.

“Boston loves our leaders and this year is no exception,” said Koczela. “Among those who have

heard of the candidates, they are viewed positively pretty much across demographic groups. In an era of toxic politics nationally, that’s something to be proud of.”

COVID-19 seen as top issue, housing costs a major concern

% calling each the most important concern facing Boston. Only top issues shown.

| | Sep-13 | Sep-17 | Sep-20 | Apr-21 |
|------------------------|--------|--------|--------|--------|
| COVID-19 / coronavirus | NA | NA | 39% | 27% |
| Housing costs | 5% | 23% | 12% | 18% |
| Public education | 24% | 11% | 5% | 6% |
| The economy and jobs | 17% | 10% | 8% | 5% |
| Crime / public safety | 22% | 17% | 6% | 3% |

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Source: City of Boston registered voter poll, April 7-11, 2021. Chart courtesy of The MassINC Polling Group

Dot voters polled discuss their mayoral preferences

By Mia McCarthy
Reporter Correspondent

Most Boston voters who participated in this week’s Dorchester Reporter-WBUR-The Boston Foundation sponsored-poll remain undecided about their pick for mayor later this year. The Reporter spoke to a sample of the poll participants who agreed to speak out about how they are approaching their decisions.

Galen Beebe-West, 34, of Dorchester, said she would vote for Michelle Wu if the election had been held on Tuesday.

“I had a really good impression of her from the city council elections,” she said. “And she is a strong supporter of the transit system. And I would say overall, it’s like, I just don’t know enough about any of the

candidates. But I had a good sense of her.”

Beebe-West said she feels that Mayor Walsh did not do enough to address an issue that she feels most strongly about: climate change.

“I just think we have a lot of problems, especially around racial inequity in the city. And I did not see him do enough toward that,” she said. “And all of our current issues, especially equity issues in the city, are going to be exacerbated by the issues that climate change will bring to the city.”

Dr. Omar Reid, a Dorchester resident who serves as president of the Black Mental Health Alliance of Massachusetts, said he would most likely vote for Kim Janey.

“She appears competent. I like the work

that she did on the city council,” said Reid, 62, who added that he also likes Michelle Wu and John Barros.

“These are the people I’ve dealt with in the community. And I feel that those are my top if I were to vote.”

Cynthia Rosner, a 51-year-old Dorchester resident, favors Janey, who she has found to be “pretty impressive, so far. Well, for one,” she said, “the fact that her co-workers basically voted to elect her [City Council] president says to me that she not only is smart about politics, but also that she can get along with a lot of different kinds of people. So there’s an element of, I guess, diplomacy and awareness that I think would serve somebody who is mayor very well.

Rosner watched Janey’s swearing-in ceremony and found her to be “genuine and authentic.”

“So, I was glad to learn that she’s going to be running. I’ll be sort of watching to see how she does between now and whenever the election is.”

Sonia McLean-Mathurin, a 60-year-old from Dorchester, said she’s leaning towards a vote for Wu, whom she knows more about than the other candidates. But she is open to any of the female candidates.

“I think we need a different type,” she said. “I think it’s good if maybe a female was probably in charge, you know?”

Douglas Skyers, 29, of Dorchester, represents the largest segment of

Bostonians captured in this poll: He’s in wait-and-see mode.

“I’m undecided thus far because of the current social and political climate of things,” he said. “I am on the lookout for candidates who are informed socially. And that are — how do I put it in a good way — who are balanced? I wouldn’t want someone who’s only business minded and I wouldn’t want someone who’s just only socially aware. I would want someone who is a little bit of both. You know, what I mean? Who’s aware of how the economics flows, and how that impacts the society and themselves.”

Like most people polled, he thought the last mayor — now Secretary Walsh — did a pretty good job.

“If it ain’t broke, don’t fix it kind of thing,” said Skyers. “I’ve heard good things about him. I’ve seen him do good things.”

Rosner, who favors Janey looking forward, was also impressed with Walsh.

“I just think he did a really good job and then he was very active. He was very visible,” she said. “He was very innovative. I think, in the last year every week, the briefing about COVID you follow the city on the Facebook page on Facebook and Twitter and all that; you’re getting, you know, the updated information you need to have. He’s a politician, obviously, but he’s not slick. He wasn’t slick. He was very real still.”

Reporting from WBUR contributed to this story.

Editorial

Poll sets plate for a dynamic mayoral campaign

Thanks to major funding from The Boston Foundation and from our media partners at WBUR 90.9FM, this week the Dorchester Reporter is pleased to present the results of the year’s first poll focused on the election of Boston’s next mayor. The poll, conducted by the excellent Mass Inc Polling Group, was in the field over four days last week, shortly after Acting Mayor Kim Janey announced that she would seek a full four-year term— making it a six-person field of candidates.

The poll, which surveyed 552 registered voters who are Boston residents on landlines and cell phones in English and Spanish languages— also sought to gauge the electorate’s interest in issues. The poll’s margin of error is +/- 4.9 percent with a 95 percent level of confidence.

So, what did we learn from it?

- For starters, it’s still a wide-open race for the mayor’s office on a full-term basis. Almost half of those polled— 46 percent— said they remain undecided. Michelle Wu and Janey are the strongest at this point— but with so many people still without a preference, there’s plenty of room for movement.
- People generally like this field of candidates, which is not unusual for Bostonians, who generally approve of their political leaders. None of the six candidates has a toxic “favorable-unfavorable” rating. There’s no “lightning rod” candidate and — at this point, at least— the electorate is not polarized along race or neighborhood lines.
- Marty Walsh, now the US Labor Secretary, can look back at his City Hall career knowing that a good majority of his neighbors— 59 percent in this poll— give him a thumbs up. As Mass Inc Polling’s Steve Koczela notes, however, it’s not quite as impressive— at this stage— as former Mayor Tom Menino, who earned a 77 percent favorability rating in a Sept. 2013 poll.
- Covid— and the city’s response— rates as the biggest single issue on voters’ minds, but it is fading a bit. A WGBH poll conducted last September had 39 percent calling it their top issue. That number— amid a widening pool of vaccinated people and signs of a rebounding economy— is now at 27 percent.
- Housing costs ranks second as the biggest issue facing Boston, with a super-majority — 71 percent— saying that the city is unaffordable.

We will have more to report on issues related to housing, education, race, and equity — all addressed in the poll— in next week’s Reporter and online at DotNews.com.


– Bill Forry

Reporter wins award for editorial writing

The Reporter won silver medal recognition for excellence in editorial writing at last week’s New England Better Newspaper competition, hosted by the New England Newspaper and Press Association.

The Reporter’s Bill Forry was awarded second place in the category of weekly newspapers for editorials written in the aftermath of the murder of George Floyd and the subsequent civil rights protests in 2020.

The NENPA award is the second in recent months to go to a member of the Reporter team. The newspaper’s co-founder, Ed Forry, was presented with the Bob Wallack Community Journalism award in 2020 for his lifetime spent covering Dorchester.

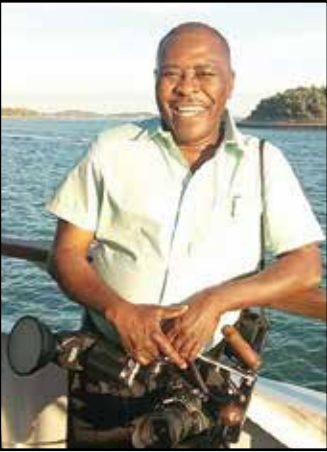


Appreciation

Beausejour Antoine, 57; chronicled rise of Boston’s Haitian community

By BILL FORRY
EDITOR

Beausejour Antoine was a photographer who rarely had to direct his subjects to smile for his ever-present camera. If he was in their midst, chances are they were already smiling back at this Haitian-born photojournalist, who was a bundle of high energy and good humor.



Mr. Beausejour — or *Bow-say-ju* as he was widely known to most Haitians in Boston — died on April 3 in a Brockton health center after an illness that began with a sudden stroke more than a year ago. He was just 57 years old.

For many years, his photo work appeared in the pages of the *Dorchester Reporter* and our sister publication, the *Boston Haitian Reporter*. A fixture at the region’s many Haitian-American events, he chronicled the steady progress of the Greater

Boston community of people— like himself— who emigrated to Massachusetts from Haiti in the 1960s and 1970s. More recently, he hosted an influential radio program that brought important information about politics, health, and business opportunities to Haitian people in their native Kreyol.

Mr. Beausejour was passionate about his work. He would frequently bound into our newsroom— or onto the front steps of my Lower Mills porch— carrying his latest batch of freshly-developed prints. Sometimes, without asking, he would be carrying poster-size enlargements of his favorite subjects— all the while laughing and beaming with a huge smile. Each year, he celebrated his birthday with a blow-out party that was advertised in the newspaper, online, and via social media. It was a thing on the Haitian-American social calendar each season.

Mr. Beausejour leaves his wife, Marie Gertha (Decime) Antoine; two sons— Marc and Godson Antoine both of Brockton; a daughter Jessica Antoine of Brockton; and four brothers, Benel, Gamael, Wilbert, and Gensley Antoine, all of Haiti.

A wake is set for Sat., April 17, at the Home of Funerarias Multi Culturel, 238 Court St., Brockton from 7-9 p.m. A funeral will be held on Sunday at 10 a.m. in the Brockton Temple 7th Day Adventiste Church, 235 Court St., Brockton.

Let’s give our 16 and 17 year olds the right to vote in city elections

By JULIA MEJIA AND KENZIE BOK

Young people in Boston have stepped up to the plate to play a critical role in our civic life. They organize community meetings, speak at public hearings, knock on doors for political candidates, and continue to hold elected officials accountable.

But when it comes to the most important aspect of civic life— voting— young people are excluded. We must take steps to support youth civic engagement by granting 16 and 17 year olds the right to vote in municipal elections. The conversation over who has the right to vote has been going on for as long as our country has been in existence. Women did not receive the right to vote until the passage of the 19th amendment in 1920; BIPOC people did not fully receive voting rights until the passage of the Voting Rights Act in 1965 and are still fighting laws designed to diminish their vote. Many states once set the voting age at 21; looking back, it seems arbitrary and restrictive to prevent 18, 19, and 20 year olds from voting. Similarly, there is not much in the way of justification for limiting voting to those 18 and older. Many 16 and 17 year olds in Boston pay income taxes but have no representation.

The Boston Public Schools budget is roughly a third of the city’s overall budget, but youth have no say in electing the mayor or city councillors who are tasked with proposing, overseeing, and approving the public schools budget.

Nationwide, far more government funding goes to support seniors than to support low-income children and youth; both groups need financial help, but only one has a vote. The age of 18 may, in fact, be one of the least ideal times to have to register to vote and form a new civic habit. Many 18 year olds are moving away, living in temporary or university housing, navigating

their first job, and navigating many of the daunting adulthood “firsts.” Further, recent research indicates that if we can set our youth up to vote in the first three elections they’re eligible to vote in, they’ll be voters for life. Allowing 16 and 17 year olds to register to vote, with the help of a parent, a teacher, or other supports, and to debate with their peers the issues of a city they’ve grown up in and know well, means that we have a better chance of empowering our youth to form the habit of voting long-term. Although Boston has traditionally been the city to lead the nation, we would not be the first to allow 16 and 17 year olds to vote. Many states allow 17 year olds who will be 18 by the time of a general election to vote in the primary, while three municipalities in Maryland have lowered the voting age to 16.

Internationally, in places like Brazil and Austria, the voting age has also been lowered to 16. So far, these changes have had a positive effect on civic engagement.

In Takoma Park, Maryland, the first city to allow 16 year olds to cast a ballot, turnout rates among young people under 18 were nearly double the turnout rate of eligible voters 18 and up. In Scotland’s independence referendum in 2014, young people aged 16 and 17 were allowed to weigh in on their country’s constitutional future and voted at a rate of 75 percent.

Boston should join in on the worldwide movement to enfranchise young people by allowing them to vote in municipal elections. With new voting restriction laws popping up across the country, we have an opportunity in Boston to expand our voting base and create healthy civic engagement habits for young people.

Kenzie Bok represents District 8 on the Boston City Council and Julia Mejia is an at-large city councillor who lives in Dorchester.

Letter to the Editor

A vote for teaching and learning outdoors

To the Editor:

Now more than ever, it is crucial to provide school children with engaging outdoor learning opportunities. To meet this challenge, the Friends of the Boston Schoolyards (FOTBS), a volunteer organization since 2018, serves as a clearinghouse for sharing information and resources with parents, teachers, and community members regarding outdoor experiences for Boston public school children. FOTBS, working with a wide range of partner organizations, has developed practical resources that can be used at school, at home—indoors or outdoors—that support and encourage outdoor learning.

Every week, in response to Covid-19, we hear about schools across the country that are teaching students outdoors. Here in Boston, we are well placed to be one of those stories. With over 80 schoolyards

redesigned for outdoor learning over the past 25 years and teachers prepared to use them, Boston can provide access to all our students.

As we strive to address important issues of equity, the Friends of the Boston Schoolyards believes that outdoor teaching and learning should a part of the daily routine for all Boston’s children. As schools reopen, these spaces will be especially important, giving children the chance to fully flex their physical and cognitive muscles and enjoy the outdoor resources that exist right in their schools and neighborhoods.

Visit friendsofthebostonschoolyards.org for more information and please help spread the word about these important resources.

Mary Smoyer, President
Board of Friends of the Boston Schoolyards

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Insult to injury: State property in Dorchester littered with trash

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train lines along the same corridor, with two of the three major train lines not stopping in Dorchester until UMass Boston, the Kennedy Library, and BC High requested a stop at JFK/UMass for their suburban students, teachers, and customers.

What happened in Dorchester is consistent with what happened across America during the 1950s, a time of rapid suburbanization and the glorification of the automobile: Designers of the Interstate Highway System typically chose working class and lower income neighborhoods as the places to put highways.

Working class and lower-income urban neighborhoods were considered outmoded, and, therefore, appropriate as the places for pollution-generating, noisy links into the center cities so that people from outside could quickly get into and out of town.

I moved into Dorchester 49 years ago knowing that these roads and rail lines were here, but my desire to live in a dynamic place like Dorchester overcame my fear of a huge highway generating toxic pollution 24 hours a day, and limited train options.

One thing I cannot abide, however, is the fact that our state Highway Department and the MBTA show no respect for the neighborhoods they traverse by ignoring the maintenance of their property.

The photos that accompany this column show the tremendous disrespect that the MBTA and the Highway Department have for Dorchester. Why should a person visiting Tenean Beach, McConnell Playground, Pope John Paul II Park, the Neponset River Trail, or cycling along Morrissey Boulevard have to look at piles of trash on the Southeast Expressway embankment? Why should we have to see ugly graffiti



Graffiti lines the walls alongside the tracks of the Red Line in Savin Hill.

Bill Walczak photo

on bridges or the MBTA sound barrier at the Savin Hill T Station for years before it is removed?

The Highway Department doesn't consider the embankments it built to be its responsibility. In response to questions from me, Kristen Pennucci, communications director for the Mass Department of Transportation (MassDOT), indicated that the Highway Department's Milton Depot has four workers whose responsibility includes the Southeast Expressway in Dorchester.

I asked Ms. Pennucci if there was a "standard of maintenance for the roads that includes maintenance of the road's shoulders... and what rubric or measure is used." I defined "shoulders" as including the embankment, but Ms. Pennucci indicated that their staff determine cleaning needs when they "drive our roadways daily, make observations and facilitate maintenance operations, as needed." Their last cleaning involved "sweepers that use water to conduct their cleaning and cannot sweep during winter months due to freezing temperatures." At the risk of stating the obvious, you can't see the embankments from the highway.

The trash along the embankments has been lying there for years.

Ms. Pennucci, in not answering any question about the embankment, made it clear that the Highway Department doesn't care what the embankments

look like, as they don't interfere with the vehicles on the roadways.

As for the graffiti on the MBTA sound barrier along the Red Line tracks near the Savin Hill T Station, Joe Pesaturo, director of communications for the MBTA, acknowledged that the sound barriers are owned by the T, but that "unfortunately, it doesn't take long for vandals to strike again after the barriers receive a fresh coat of paint." He also noted that "the pandemic has also had an adverse impact on the agency's ability to address maintenance matters of a more discretionary nature (those that do not have a direct impact on safety and service)." He stated that a planned suspension in service later this spring "will present the next opportunity for painting work to take place."

I noted to him that there are ways to prevent graffiti, either by making it impossible to get access to the panels, placing lights and cameras along the barrier, or changing the material to something that graffiti can't adhere to, rather than put up with the graffiti for years while waiting for a suspension of service and discretionary dollars. His response was that the cost of graffiti prevention is burdensome.

Former Congressman Barney Frank once told me that I should never believe government officials when they tell me that there isn't enough money to do something important. "There's plenty of money in government. It's politics

that decide how it's spent," he said. While the MBTA can't handle graffiti removal because the cost is "burdensome," it had for a long while policies that allowed MBTA employees to retire with pensions when they were in their 40s. As reported in an article in the Feb. 4, 2020, *Boston Herald*, "more than one in five MBTA pensioners retired before age 50 as the state increasingly has to pick up the tab on the T's troubled pension fund that's running big deficits."

[Note: the MBTA changed its pensions policy in 2009 by requiring 25 years of service and a minimum age of 55 to receive full pension benefits, but only for those hired after 2009.]

But we can't get graffiti removed without discretionary dollars.

The Highway Department may find it unreasonable to be expected to maintain its embankments because they see their role as only making sure the roads are in decent shape. But those roads go through Dorchester's neighborhoods, spewing pollution into our air, blocking our access to our own shore, and blighting our vistas.

The pandemic and civil rights demonstrations of the past year have focused our country around issues of equity. The equitable way for the state to treat the communities that endure the burden of suburban transit into Boston is to find the dollars to maintain its property.

You can help. Besides contacting your elected officials, you can file complaints. Here is a link for contacting the MBTA with questions or concerns: mbta.com/customer-support.

For the Highway Department, you can complain by calling the Highway Call Center at 857-368-3500.

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Closer to home, Pilch was thrilled with Mayor Janey's decision to name April 10 NHLW Boston Pride Day. "All these little pieces really start to come together. Our players are getting credit and the notice they deserve, and I think we're turning a corner. We're very lucky to be in Boston, the City of Champions. The Boston Pride is here and we're here to stay."



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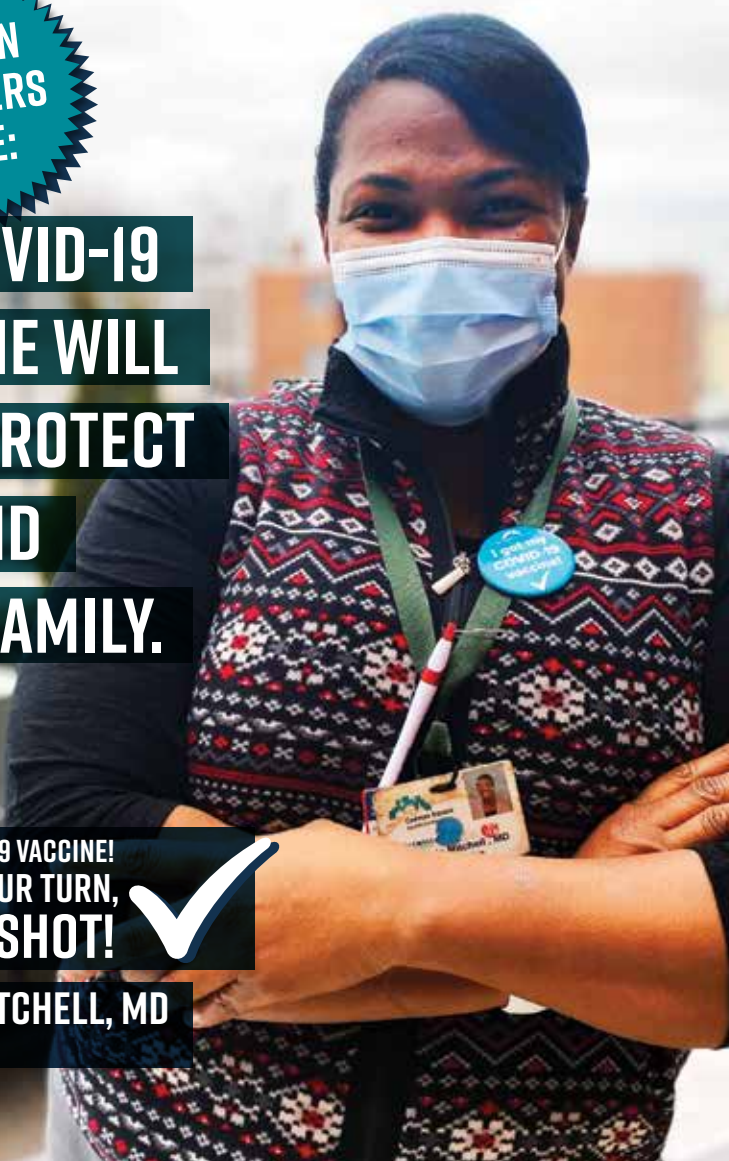
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The Action Plan is submitted annually to the US Dept. of Housing and Urban Development (HUD), and serves as the City's application and plan for using \$28 million in HUD resources from: Community Development Block Grant (CDBG), HOME Investment Partnerships (HOME), Housing Opportunities for Persons with AIDS (HOPWA), and Emergency Solutions Grant (ESG) programs.

Due to the ongoing Coronavirus Pandemic, this will be a Virtual Hearing held on 4/27/21 from 6:00 pm to 7:30 pm.

Interpretative services in Spanish, Cantonese, and Mandarin will be provided. To request another language, including American Sign Language, email dndcomments@boston.gov at least 7 days prior to the hearing date. Every effort will be made to accommodate your request.

To access the hearing link, go to:
<https://www.boston.gov/departments/neighborhood-development/hearings-and-public-comment>

Tim Davis, Deputy Director (DND)

Taste of Dorchester event set for April 29



Jermaine Tulloch of Family Affair restaurant in Uphams Corner offered a culinary lesson as part of last year’s Taste of Dorchester At Home event.

The 13th annual Taste of Dorchester fundraiser event will take place in a virtual format on Thurs., April 29 from 7-8 p.m. The annual event organized by Dorchester-based nonprofit Massachusetts Affordable Housing Alliance (MAHA) puts the spotlight on local eateries while raising funds for MAHA’s homeowner-ship education and civic engagement programs. Last year’s event, Taste of Dorchester “At Home,”

saw the community rally to support the beleaguered Dorchester restaurant scene; similarly, this year, proceeds will go to local restauran-teurs, with attendees encouraged to order take-out from those neighborhood establishments. This year’s event, sponsored by Arbella Insurance, will consist of an hour long Zoom with Dorchester-themed trivia, jazz from local band Sleeping Bee, interviews with restaurant owners,

videos, a raffle, and exciting auction items supporting MAHA and Dorchester restaurants. Tickets are priced at optional intervals of \$25, \$50, and \$100. Local establishments participating in this year’s Taste of Dorchester include 50Kitchen, 224 Boston, American Provisions, Ashmont Grill, Bahn Mi Ba Le, Blarney Stone, Bobby Fish Market, Boston Harbor Distillery, The Bowery Bar, Bred, Chill on Park, Clarke’s Cakes and Cookies, Dorchester Brewing, DW Brewpub, El Barrio Mexican Grill, Family Affair Restaurant & Catering, Ghost Pepper Taco & Tequila Bar, Homestead Bakery & Cafe, Ice Creamsmith, The Industry, Irie Jamaican Style Restaurant, Lower Mills Tavern, Lucy’s American Tavern, McKenna’s Cafe, Murl’s Kitchen, Oasis Vegan Veggie Parlor, One Family Diner, Pat’s Piza, Phillips Chocolates, Restaurant Cesaria, Shanti Indian Cuisine, Sweet Life Bakery and

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LEGAL NOTICE

MORTGAGEE’S SALE OF REAL ESTATE

By virtue and in execution of the Power of Sale contained in a certain mortgage given by Jeanette L Blake a/k/a Jeannette L. Blake and Maxwell A. Blake to Argent Mortgage Company, LLC, dated December 18, 2006 and recorded with the Suffolk County Registry of Deeds in Book 40986, Page 158, of which mortgage the undersigned is the present holder by virtue of an Assignment of Mortgage dated July 20,2011 to Kondaur Capital Corporation recorded with Suffolk County Registry of Deeds, Book 48163, Page 226, and as further assigned to Conquest Capital Partners, LLC, dated December 20,2012, recorded in Book 50689, Page 324, and as further assigned to Bay State Home Group, LLC dated December 31, 2012 in Book 50754, Page 274, for breach of the conditions of said mortgage and for the purpose of foreclosing same will be sold at public auction at 10:00 AM, on May 6, 2021 on the mortgaged premises being known as 42 Edson Street, Boston (Dorchester), Massachusetts, being all and singular the premises described in said mortgage to wit:

The land with the buildings thereon, situated in the part of Boston called Dorchester, Suffolk County, Massachusetts, bounded and described as follows:

SOUTHERLY: by Norfolk Street, forty and 0/100 (40.00) feet,
WESTERLY: by Lot 5, as shown on a plan hereinafter mentioned, one hundred thirty-five and 5 7/1 00 (135.57) feet, more or less:

NORTHWESTERLY: by land now or formerly of the N.Y.& N.E.R.R. as shown on said plan, seventy and 11/100 (70.11) feet, more or less: and

EASTERLY: by land now or formerly of the Dorr Estates, as shown on said plan, one hundred seventy and 50/100 (170.50) feet more or less.

Containing 7,232 square feet of land and being shown as Lot 6 on a Plan dated February 1896, and drawn by C.E.C. Breck, Engineer, and recorded with the Suffolk County Registry of Deeds in Book 2342, Page 17.

There is excepted and excluded from this conveyance so much of the above described property as was taken by and granted to the City of Boston for the widening of Norfolk Street by instruments recorded in said Deeds in Book 3677, Page 182 and 183; being a strip of land about twelve and 0/100 (12.00) feet wide and extending along the front of said lot and containing about four hundred ninety four (494) square feet of land.

The area of the Lot hereby conveyed about 6,738 square feet of land.

The above described Premises are also conveyed subject to an easement taken by M.D.C. for water purposes as set forth in an instrument recorded with said deeds in Book 59011, Page 294.

Being the same premises as conveyed to the mortgagor by deed of Leo Brown, dated January 24, 2003, recorded with Suffolk County Registry of Deeds, Book 30414, Page 83.

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The premises are being sold with the express acknowledgment that the Mortgagee makes no representation or warranty as to the presence or absence to any wetlands or environmental issue at all, or related to the septic or well systems, if any, or as to any contaminants or other substances, as noted under M.G.L. C21E or any other Massachusetts Statute, Code or Regulation does exist, the correction thereof will be at the Buyer's sole cost and expense, and shall be separate from the purchase price. The Buyer shall indemnify and hold harmless the Mortgagee from any and all costs, expenses or liability related to any of the aforesaid.

TERMS OF SALE:

A deposit of \$7,500.00 DOLLARS shall be paid by the successful bidder to the Mortgagee in cash, by certified or by cashier's check at the time and place of the sale as a deposit. The successful bidder will be required to execute an Auction Sale Agreement immediately after the close of the bidding. The balance of the purchase price shall be paid in cash, by certified check, by cashier's check, or other check satisfactory to Mortgagee's attorney within thirty (30) days thereafter at the offices of BARSH AND COHEN, P.C., Attorneys for the Mortgagee, 189 Wells Avenue, Newton, Massachusetts, in exchange for which and at such time and place, the deed shall be delivered to the purchaser for recording.

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The description of the premises contained in said mortgage shall control in the event of an error in the Notice of Mortgagee's Sale or its publication.

OTHER TERMS TO BE ANNOUNCED AT THE TIME AND PLACE OF THE SALE.

Dated: April 7, 2021

Signed: Bay State Home Group, LLC
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By its Attorneys,
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State orders pause on J&J vaccine doses

Six blood clot cases under review By FDA, CDC

**By KATIE LANNAN
STATE HOUSE
NEWS SERVICE**

The Massachusetts Department of Public Health on Tuesday directed all providers to pause administration of Johnson & Johnson Covid-19 vaccines, responding to a federal recommendation that those particular shots not be given while the Food and Drug Administration and Center for Disease Control review six cases of a rare and severe blood

clot reported in women who had received that particular vaccine.

With more than 6.8 million J&J doses administered in the US as of Monday, the CDC and FDA said they were making the move out of an abundance of caution. State data show that 181,034 people in Massachusetts had received the J&J vaccine as of Monday.

“Right now, these adverse events appear to be extremely rare. Vaccine safety is a top priority for

the federal government, and we take all reports of health problems following Covid-19 vaccination very seriously,” the CDC’s Dr. Anne Schuchat and FDA’s Dr. Peter Marks said in a joint statement. “People who have received the J&J vaccine who develop severe headache, abdominal pain, leg pain, or shortness of breath within three weeks after vaccination should contact their health care provider.”

A spokesperson for the

state’s Covid-19 command centers said none of the six cases are known to be linked to Massachusetts, and that individuals who have received a J&J shot should contact their physicians if they have any concerns.

People who are scheduled to receive a J&J vaccine are encouraged to contact the provider with whom they booked the shot with any questions about their upcoming appointments.

“In response to today’s recommendation from

the FDA and CDC to pause J&J vaccines due to an extremely rare condition reported in 6 individuals nationwide, the Department of Public Health directed all providers to immediately pause administration of the J&J vaccine until federal health experts investigate this matter,” command center communications director Kate Reilly said in a statement.

According to the two federal agencies, six women between the ages of 18 and 48 developed a type of blood clot called cerebral venous sinus thrombosis, in combination with low levels

of blood platelets, and symptoms occurred 6 to 13 days after vaccination.

The CDC and FDA are advising providers that this type of clot requires different treatment than might typically be given, as use of the anticoagulant drug heparin may be dangerous.

Gov. Baker often talks about the Johnson & Johnson vaccine as a game-changer for the state’s vaccine distribution strategy, describing the single-dose shot as a way to accelerate vaccination speed and capacity.

Half of state’s adults have received at least one vaccine dose

Massachusetts this week will likely cross the threshold of 2 million residents fully vaccinated against Covid-19 and holds the distinction of being the first state with at least 5 million people

to deliver at least one dose to more than half of its adult residents, Gov. Baker said Monday during a visit to a Worcester vaccine site.

More than 5.2 million vaccine doses have been

shipped to Massachusetts, and more than 87 percent of those have been administered, according to a Monday afternoon report from the Department of Public Health.

In a state with a pop-

ulation of roughly 6.9 million people, almost 1.79 million people have completed their vaccine regimen — either by receiving one Johnson & Johnson shot or two doses of the Pfizer or Moderna

vaccines — and almost 2.77 million people have received at least one Moderna or Pfizer shot.

Next Monday, Massachusetts will open up its vaccine eligibility to people age 16 and older who

live, work, or study here.

Baker said he continues to hope the federal government’s vaccine supply will “get to the point where they can actually meet demand.”

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Walsh: ‘I’ve left the city in a really strong position’

(Continued from page 1) stantly, almost. Here, it’s a little different because it’s a lot of policy work. As you think about policy, you can’t just wake up and say, we’re going to do this or that. You have to really think about what’s the impact is going to have on the American people and the people that we represent.

Q. What’s the mood like within the cabinet so far?

A. Optimistic. Everyone’s really happy. Everyone’s really optimistic about the future of America. We all recognize there’s a lot of work to be done, but the mood

is optimistic and I would say the mood within the Department of Labor as well is optimistic and hopeful. There’s a lot of important policy for the American worker that we’re responsible for. So, I think that there’s a real hope that, you know, we can move our country forward.

Q. Were you surprised at how smoothly your Senate confirmation process went?

A. Not really, because I think a lot of the Republicans in my conversations, they did the homework...I think and I hope there’s a real desire to get things done for

the American people. It’s been too long that the partisan politics has led in the dialogue in Washington. And I think that it seems like there’s a little bit of a break from that, that we can actually get back to the times of Joe Moakley and Tip O’Neill where there’s an understanding and a respect for each other.... So, I mean, I think this is the fastest cabinet put in place in 50 years. It was a fairly quick process. Personally, it was hard because for eight weeks everyone was looking to me and saying, ‘When do we move on here in Boston?’ And it seemed like a long time for all of us.

Q. Where were you when you got the call from President Biden asking you to join his cabinet?

A. I was in the mayor’s office. I was getting

ready to practice my State of the City. Practice was at one o’clock. I talked to the president at five minutes to one. He called me on my phone and asked me if I would consider joining his administration.

Q. Did you feel in the days leading up to that that you probably get the call or did you just not know?

A. A couple of days before hand I had a feeling I was going to get the call. Up to that point, I was not sure because obviously there were other people in contention for the role as well. I was kind of just reading the paper and the different political stories about what the process was. So, I really didn’t have any inside scoop per se, that let me know that, you know, I’m actually the president’s

guy. The president did make comments the day before when they asked him a question specifically about the Department of Labor, he said something to the effect of: It’s about diversity in the cabinet, so I need an Irishman in the cabinet....

Q. Do you remember what you said to him when he asked you to join him?

A. I said I was honored. I congratulated him on his election. I hadn’t talked to him one-on-one since the election. I’d been on Zooms with him and with other folks, but I had not been one-on-one. I told him how proud we were of him being elected.... We talked about a couple of other things. And then, at the end of the conversation, he said to me, ‘Marty, you didn’t accept the job yet!’ [Laughing] And I said of course, I’d be honored to serve in your administration.

Q. How conflicted were you about staying as mayor, as opposed to joining the cabinet?

A. Very. Very conflicted. It tore me up a bit inside, because being mayor of the city I grew up in the city I love—and being a state rep before that—it was really hard. I was thinking about the people that work with me every day. That was the hardest thing. How would I let them know? You know, these are folks that, some, some were with me from 2013, some were with me from 1996. Some, I just met a few months ago. It was really hard. It’s still, to some degree, hard. You know, when I think about my team at City Hall, I do get sad because I’m fortunate to have worked with so many incredible, wonderful people. And, you know, they’re the ones who actually make the city look great and make me look good. It was hard.

Q. Have you had time to consider what your legacy as mayor might be?

A. I don’t really think about legacy. I just think of how fortunate I am to have had the opportunities in my life. You know, it’s amazing. When I was in the cabinet meeting the other day, I was sitting two seats over from the vice president and across from the president. And I was just thinking like, ‘Oh my God, you know, I’m in the cabinet for the president of the United States of America. And just thinking about the journey to that role, to that spot, it was just amazing.... I’m not sure what the legacy is, but you know, I’m just honored to have had these incredible opportunities and it’s because people trust me and put their



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To all interested persons:
A Petition for Formal Adjudication of Intestacy and Appointment of Personal Representative has been filed by Deborah O'Connor of Columbia, SC requesting that the Court enter a formal Decree and Order and for such other relief as requested in the Petition. The Petitioner requests that: Deborah O'Connor of Columbia, SC be appointed as Personal Representative(s) of said estate to serve Without Surety on the bond in an unsupervised administration.

IMPORTANT NOTICE
You have the right to obtain a copy of the Petition from the Petitioner or at the Court. You have a right to object to this proceeding. To do so, you or your attorney must file a written appearance and objection at this Court before: 10:00 a.m. on the return day of 05/17/2021.

This is NOT a hearing date, but a deadline by which you must file a written appearance and objection if you object to this proceeding. If you fail to file a timely written appearance and objection followed by an Affidavit of Objections within thirty (30) days of the return day, action may be taken without further notice to you.

Unsupervised Administration Under The Massachusetts Uniform Probate Code (MUPC)
A Personal Representative appointed under the MUPC in an unsupervised administration is not required to file an inventory or annual accounts with the Court. Persons interested in the estate are entitled to notice regarding the administration directly from the Personal Representative and may petition the Court in any matter relating to the estate, including the distribution of assets and expenses of administration.

Witness, HON. BRIAN J. DUNN, First Justice of this Court.
Date: April 12, 2021

Felix D. Arroyo
Register of Probate
Published: April 15, 2021

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS THE TRIAL COURT PROBATE AND FAMILY COURT Suffolk Probate & Family Court 24 New Chardon Street Boston, MA 02114 (617) 788-8300 CITATION ON PETITION FOR FORMAL ADJUDICATION Docket No. SU21P0686EA ESTATE OF: BARBARA M. WALSH DATE OF DEATH: 10/24/2019

To all interested persons:
A Petition for Formal Probate of Will with Appointment of Personal Representative has been filed by Anne O'Driscoll MacFarlane of Weymouth, MA requesting that the Court enter a formal Decree and Order and for such other relief as requested in the Petition. The Petitioner requests that: Anne O'Driscoll MacFarlane of Weymouth, MA be appointed as Personal Representative(s) of said estate to serve Without Surety on the bond in an unsupervised administration.

IMPORTANT NOTICE
You have the right to obtain a copy of the Petition from the Petitioner or at the Court. You have a right to object to this proceeding. To do so, you or your attorney must file a written appearance and objection at this Court before: 10:00 a.m. on the return day of 05/13/2021.

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UNSUPERVISED ADMINISTRATION UNDER THE MASSACHUSETTS UNIFORM PROBATE CODE (MUPC)
A Personal Representative appointed under the MUPC in an unsupervised administration is not required to file an inventory or annual accounts with the Court. Persons interested in the estate are entitled to notice regarding the administration directly from the Personal Representative and may petition the Court in any matter relating to the estate, including the distribution of assets and expenses of administration.

Witness, HON. BRIAN J. DUNN, First Justice of this Court.
Date: April 6, 2021

Felix D. Arroyo
Register of Probate
Published: April 15, 2021

faith in me.

Q. You could have served another two terms and you still would have been asked the question when leaving: What didn't you finish that you wanted to finish? Is there one thing that stands out for you that you would like to see the next mayor finish and bring to fruition?

A. Yeah, I think one thing is the procurement piece. We did a lot of work. We did the disparity study, probably a few years later than we probably should have, but we did do it. It was done last year going into a re-election and I was going to be explaining it and defending it, but I think the procurement, and advancing people of color in public contracting is something that's really important. I do get an opportunity as Secretary of Labor to actually make a difference on a national scale. But I learned it wasn't for lack of trying, it was just the process of it. So, I think that's one area I think I'd like to see.

And then on some of the other things, it's more the concrete, bricks, and mortar. You know, City Hall Plaza and seeing more libraries being built and more schools being built and fire houses, things like that.

The city's in a good place to be able to continue that growth that we've done over the years. So, it's not going to grab headlines, but it's about building the infrastructure for the city.

So I, if I did it another term— I don't think I'd do a couple of terms— but if I did another term, I would be really, really focused on the procurement piece of it and I would've focused on the building.

LEGAL NOTICE

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS
THE TRIAL COURT
PROBATE and FAMILY COURT
Suffolk Probate & Family Court
24 New Chardon Street
Boston, MA 02114
(617) 788-8300
CITATION ON PETITION FOR FORMAL ADJUDICATION
Docket No. SU21P0728EA
ESTATE OF:
MARILYN RUTH WATERS
DATE OF DEATH: 06/21/2020

To all interested persons:

A Petition for Formal Probate of Will with Appointment of Personal Representative has been filed by Susan Atlas of Chelmsford, MA requesting that the Court enter a formal Decree and Order and for such other relief as requested in the Petition. The Petitioner requests that: Bishop Arthur Jack of Boston, MA be appointed as Personal Representative(s) of said estate to serve Without Surety on the bond in an unsupervised administration.

IMPORTANT NOTICE

You have the right to obtain a copy of the Petition from the Petitioner or at the Court. You have a right to object to this proceeding. To do so, you or your attorney must file a written appearance and objection at this Court before: 10:00 a.m. on the return day of **05/19/2021**.

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UNSUPERVISED ADMINISTRATION UNDER THE MASSACHUSETTS UNIFORM PROBATE CODE (MUPC)

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Witness, HON. BRIAN J. DUNN, First Justice of this Court.
Date: April 08, 2021

Felix D. Arroyo
Register of Probate

Published: April 15, 2021



Secretary of Labor Marty Walsh was sworn-into office on Tues., March 23 by Vice President Kamala Harris during a ceremony in her office. Pictured, center, is Lorrie Higgins, Walsh's longtime partner. Photo courtesy White House

And then the schools, I don't think the school department gets enough credit for the work they've done. People tend to point out the shortcomings of the schools in Boston. They don't look at the gains. And, when DESE put out the report, we had the highest four-year graduation rates in the history of Boston this year. You know, we can't ignore that. I mean, I know there's challenges. It's public education, there's challenges. But, really, there's some

great things there with the school department. So, I'm really proud of the work they've done. There's more to be done. No one mayor is going to fix or adjust the schools the way that make them transformative like we need them. But it's going to be several administrations that are going to do that.

Q. For all of the turmoil and challenges of the last year with Covid, your favorability rating among Boston voters remains high— almost 60

percent (according to a Reporter-WBUR-Boston Foundation poll). Do you take some satisfaction from that?

A. I guess, obviously as a person, yes. But I really would take satisfaction that I've left the city in a really strong position to move forward. Fiscally, we're the strongest we've ever been, with seven years straight of AAA bond rating. Our pension, liability, debt, as long as we stay on schedule, will be fully funded by 2024. There

really aren't many, if any, cities in America that can say that.

The diversity of hiring since I became mayor has been 65 percent people of color, 55 percent women. We've tackled issues like pay equity. We've done police reform. I think we're one of the only cities in America that actually did police reform and we did it with a group of private citizens who were on that task force and did some great things....

I'm really happy that we laid down a real good foundation for the next person, whether it's Kim Janey who is obviously doing a lot of stuff now, and then there's a race for mayor. So, there's a really good strong foundation. Whoever it is will not be inheriting a city that is a disaster.

Q. Does part of you wish you could have had this final race to run on that record? Any regrets about not being able to seek a third term?

A. I mean, obviously I love campaigning, you know that. But, no, I have a job to do today. My job today is the Secretary of Labor for the United States of America and the constituency that I represent is the entire country. I

need to make sure that President Biden's and Vice President Harris's goals and objectives are carried through. And that's my job now. I have a new focus right now in my life and I'm going to give it 110 percent of my life.

Q. Will part of that skill-set — campaigning— come in handy as you are asked to make the case for the Biden-Harris agenda?

A. Absolutely. One of the goals and the charges that the president gave to me and other secretaries the other day was to be the lead on the American Jobs Plan. And, we're doing meetings and interviews and talking about this and eventually, hopefully, we'll get around the country to talk about the importance of this plan about building back, better.

So I'm excited about that and excited about working with members of Congress and both Democrats and Republicans to try and sell this plan.

LEGAL NOTICE

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS
THE TRIAL COURT
PROBATE and FAMILY COURT
Docket No. SU10P2038EA
Suffolk Probate & Family Court
24 New Chardon Street
Boston, MA 02114
(617) 788-8300
CITATION ON PETITION FOR ORDER OF COMPLETE SETTLEMENT
ESTATE OF:
HELEN MARIE STONE
DATE OF DEATH: 10/10/2009

A Petition for Order of Complete Settlement has been filed by Anthony Stone of Middleton, MA requesting that the court enter a formal Decree of Complete Settlement including the allowance of a proposed distribution and other such relief as may be requested in the Petition.

IMPORTANT NOTICE

You have the right to obtain a copy of the Petition from the Petitioner or at the court. You have a right to object to this proceeding. To do so, you or your attorney must file a written appearance and objection at this Court before: **10:00 a.m. on the return day of 05/03/2021**.

This is NOT a hearing date, but a deadline by which you must file a written appearance and objection if you object to this proceeding. If you fail to file a timely written appearance and objection followed by an affidavit of objections within thirty (30) days of the return day, action may be taken without further notice to you.

Witness, HON. BRIAN J. DUNN, First Justice of this Court.
Date: April 07, 2021

Felix D. Arroyo
Register of Probate

Published: April 15, 2021

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| 2-bedroom | 0 | \$43,200 | \$50,130 | \$55,200 | \$79,590 | 3 | \$34,560 | \$57,600 | \$69,120 | \$85,700 | \$107,100 |
| | 0 | \$43,200 | \$50,130 | \$55,200 | \$79,590 | 4 | \$38,370 | \$63,950 | \$76,740 | \$95,200 | \$119,000 |
| 3-bedroom | 0 | \$49,890 | \$57,990 | \$63,780 | \$91,950 | 5 | \$41,460 | \$69,100 | \$82,920 | \$102,850 | \$128,550 |
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We will be holding two (2) virtual informational meetings on April 12, 2021 at 6:00 pm and April 15, 2021 at 6:00 pm through the following links: bit.ly/ncslottery1 and bit.ly/ncslottery2

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body+fuel Celebrate Four Year Anniversary of Opening and Partnership with BGCD: See details below.

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body+fuel Celebrate Four Year Anniversary of Opening and Partnership with BGCD: Boys & Girls Clubs of Dorchester members have been taking part in fitness classes at the local Dorchester fitness studio body+fuel located on Dorchester Avenue. Members attend two days a week on-site and a third day virtually as part of our FitDot program. To celebrate the four year anniversary of body+fuel's opening and the Club's partnership, we had t-shirts made up for participating members and staff. Thanks to our friends at body+fuel, and to owner and BGCD alum Packy McDonough, for their partnership and continuous support of BGCD and our members. Exercise is such an important element of our Healthy Lifestyle Program at BGCD. A special thanks to the New Balance Foundation for sponsoring our FitDot programming.

FIND OUT WHAT'S INSIDE:
BGCD and Elevate Youth Continue Spring Healthy Meals Initiative and Outdoor Activities for Members: This past Friday, our program partners at Elevate Youth hosted Boys & Girls Clubs of Dorchester members for their weekly outdoor exploration session at McConnell Park. Elevate Youth empowers youth from under-served neighborhoods by cultivating mentor relationships through engagement in outdoor experiences.

Our members explored the beach area and utilized an art activity to learn more about the objects that they discovered. This group is part of the current E.A.T. Initiative (Educate, Access, Thrive) which includes weekly outdoor sessions and an interactive Cooking Class event monthly. For more information please contact Brendan McDonald at bmcdonald@bgcdorchester.org.




BGCD and Elevate Youth Continue Spring Healthy Meals Initiative and Outdoor Activities for Members See details below.

DID YOU KNOW:
New England Women's Leadership Awards (NEWLA) - Tickets on Sale NOW! Boys & Girls Clubs of Dorchester is hosting our 28th Annual New England Women's Leadership Awards (NEWLA) virtually on June 17th! This year we will be honoring three incredible women who have INSPIRED, IMPACTED & INFLUENCED others this year. Our members will take the virtual stage as they perform dance routines, present awards to our honorees and be the virtual audience to our Emmy Award winning, Anchor Lisa Hughes. For over 25 years, we have recognized remarkable women who meet the challenges they face with confidence, persistence and compassion and who have influenced and become role models for our members and this year is no different! For more information or to purchase tickets and sponsorships, please visit bgcdorchester.org/newla.

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BENNETT, Mary E. (Geljookian) of San Diego, CA, formerly of Dorchester and Northborough. Mary was predeceased by her parents Eghia and Katoon (Vartikian) Geljookian, her husband of 52 years Ernest R. Bennett, as well as her brothers George and Alexander Geljookian and her sister Alice Ricker. Mary is survived by her children Ernest R. Bennett, Jr. from San Diego, CA, Alice Coppersmith and her husband Bill from Gaithersburg, MD, and Theresa Burke and her husband Frank from San Diego, CA. She was a Nana to 1. Mary is also survived by many loving nieces, nephews, grandnieces and grandnephews.

BURDICK, Walter F. Jr. of Palm Harbor, FL, formerly of Dorchester. Husband to Margaret Burdick and the late Marietta Burdick. Father of Daniel Burdick,

Richard Burdick, Lawrence Burdick, Margaret Oliveira, Stephen McDonough, Thomas McDonough, Dianna McDonough, Mary McDonough, and Elizabeth Coan. He was predeceased by his sister, Linnie Dixon. Also survived by 15 grandchildren and 12 great-grandchildren. His family kindly suggests that memorial gifts in Walter's name be sent to Suncoast Hospice. US Navy WWII veteran.



CAMARDO, Anthony J. Esq. of Cohasset, 88. Husband of Faye E. Camardo, father of Stephen and his part-

ner Christina Winn of Cohasset; Daniel and his wife Cheryl of Lake Forest, IL; and Susanne Swayhoover and her husband Eric of Lambertville, NJ. He leaves eight grandchildren. He also leaves his brother-in-law, Robert Wright and his wife Helen of New Port Richey, FL; and his sister-in-law, Rosemary Wright of Sandwich, as well as many much-loved nieces and nephews. He was the son of the late Elizabeth Camardo Grimes and a brother of the late Virginia Ferrara, Joseph Camardo, and James Camardo. He was born and raised in South Boston. He served in the Army during the Korean War. Those who wish may make a donation to St. Mary of the Assumption Parish, PO Box 565, Hull, MA 02045; or Scituate Etrusco Assoc., 1 Common St., Scituate, MA 02066.



CHOLEWINSKI, Roseanne (Doyle), lifelong resident of South Boston. Daughter of the late Nora Feeney and Tom Mahan. Wife of the late Ben Cholewinski. Mother of Susan Dalton of Dorchester and the late Donna Adams. Grandmother of 4. Sister of Larry Doyle, and the late Tommy Mahan and Jackie Doyle. Also survived by many nieces and nephews.



CULLEN, David G. Sr. of Brighton. Husband of Judith (Bellinger) Cullen. Father of Karen ("The Duck") and David, Jr. of Brighton, Brian of Watertown, Tanya Green and her husband Richard of Florida, Danny of Brighton, Joe of Dorchester, and the late Kevin Cullen. Grandfather of 8. Brother of Ann Moran of Worcester, George Cullen and his late wife Ginger of Belmont, and the late Vincent Cullen and his late wife Pat of Dedham. Former husband of the late Kathleen Cullen (Hilley). Uncle of 21 nieces and nephews. David was a member of the Coast Guard reserves from 1959 to 1967 and the

Army National Guard reserves from 1976 to 1998, where he rose to the rank of Master Sergeant. Donations in David's memory may be made to the American Cancer Society, PO Box 22478, Oklahoma City, OK 73123, or visit cancer.org



DeNISI, Eva T. (Vosolo) of Quincy, formerly of Dorchester, 102. Wife of the late Sabino "Dennis" DeNisi. Mother of the late Lois A. Killilea and Noreen A. Ward. Mother-in-law of Francis Killilea of Duxbury. Sister of the late Lucy DiTullio, Sarah Colangelo, Nunzio Vosolo, Rocco Vosolo, Mary Wedge, Bertha Rossetti, Anita Vosolo, Vincent Vosolo, and Elvira Radosta. Grandmother of 3. Survived by 7 great-grandchildren, 6 great-great-grandchildren, many step-grandchildren and great-grandchildren, nieces and nephews. Donations in Eva's memory may be made to the American Cancer Society at cancer.org

DONOVAN, Margaret C. (O'Donnell), 91, of Braintree.

Margaret was in Boston, to the late Walter and Margaret (O'Brien) O'Donnell. She was raised and educated in Dorchester. Wife of the late Edward F. Donovan and the late John M. Perry. Mother of Margaret Perry Pelosi of Hingham, Jacqueline Perry O'Connor of Hull, and John M. Perry of Yarmouth. Grandmother of 3. Great-grandmother of 7.



DRISCOLL, Daniel T., 88, of Dorchester. Husband of the late Marguerite (Coleman) Driscoll. Father of Daniel T. Driscoll, Jr. and his wife Trisha of Whitman, Brenda Driscoll Robinson and her husband Charles of Billerica, and Deborah Driscoll Callahan and her husband Steven of Braintree. Brother of Mary Greene of Braintree, Margaret Holland of Hanover, Joseph Driscoll, Kathleen Hynes, and Ann Moran all of Milton, Patrick Driscoll of Dorchester, and the late Nicholas, John, Frank, and Wil-

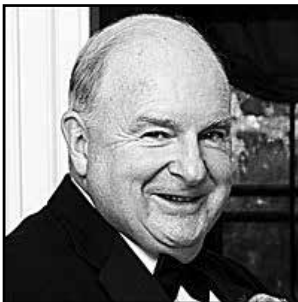
liam Driscoll. Brother-in-law of Joan Faherty of Waltham and David Coleman of Brookline. Papa to 5. Uncle to 56 nieces and nephews. Donations may be made in his memory to The Michael J. Fox Foundation for Parkinson's Disease at michaeljfox.org or to the Irish Pastoral Centre, 512 Gallivan Blvd., Suite 201, Dorchester, MA 02124.



FRANCIS, Rose Louisetta, (nee Edwards) of Dorchester. Rose was preceded in death by her parents, Ina and Charles Edwards and her sons Winston Carl Francis and Michael Xavier Francis. Left to cherish her memory are her two sons; Recardo Dobson and Robert Harrow (Helen); Grandmother of 6. Great-Grandmother of 2.



GOMES-DOS SANTOS, Susanna "Sue", 52. A lifelong resident of Dorchester, she is survived by Cristiano, and the late Fortunata (Burgo) Gomes. Wife of 23 years to Vicente DosSantos. Mother of Gregory Gomes and aunt of Alexia and Jessica Rojas and Melodie Brown. Stepmother to Marcielle Rocha, Vanya, Helga and Edson DosSantos. Sister to Christine and Christian Gomes, and Candi Stewart.



HILL, Gerard F. Sr. "Jerry" of Duxbury, formerly of Westwood and originally from Dorchester (OFD). Jerry was predeceased by his siblings, Buddy and Lorraine. Jerry is survived by his wife Jean (Kiggen) Hill and by his 4 children and grandchildren. Please make a donation to the charity of your choice.

McBRIDE, Bama known affectionately as "Mudear," was born in Beatrice, Alabama-- the

oldest girl, in a family of 8, to Percy and Amelia McBride. Bama married McNeal Beasley Sr. at age eighteen and became the mother of six children, McNeal, Jr., Esther Kate, Samuel, Ethel, Mary, and Lorain. Later, Bama received two more blessings in the form of Sandra and Eddie Lee. She was the last surviving sibling. She was preceded in death by her son, Samuel T. Beasley. She is survived by her children, McNeal Beasley, Jr. (Ida), Esther K. Johnson (Ollie), Ethel M. Wormley (Harvey), Mary L. Mitchell (Hersey Lee, deceased), Lorain Groves (Russell, deceased), Sandra E. Borders (John), and Eddie Lee McBride. She also leaves a host of grandchildren; thirty-three great-grandchildren, and six great-great-grandchildren.



MORRISSEY, Nora A. (Goonan) of Dorchester. Wife of the late Patrick G. Morrissey. Mother of Mary A. Delaney and her husband John of Whitman, John J. Morrissey of Dorchester, and Thomas H. Morrissey and his wife Stephanie of Canton. Also survived by 11 grandchildren, and 4 great-grandchildren and many nieces and nephews. Sister of Thomas Goonan and his wife Nora of Needham, Margaret Minogue and Bridget Stapleton both of Ireland and the late Mary Curley, Patrick, Gerald, Michael, Joseph, and Henry Goonan. Cousin of Mary V. Miele of Boston. Donations may be made in her memory to St. Gregory's Church, 2215 Dorchester Ave., Dorchester, MA 02124.



PHINNEY, Michael A. formerly of Dorchester and Braintree. Husband of the late Linda Phinney. Father of Jennifer Williams and her husband Seth of Winthrop. Grandfather of 1. Brother of Dennis Phinney, and the late Bobby Phinney, James Phinney Jr., and Pauline Timulty. Also survived by many loving nieces,



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nephews, and friends. Michael was a US Army veteran who served in the Vietnam War. Donations may be made to the DAV in memory of Michael.



RADEOS, Peter S. of Dorchester. Husband of Rita (Larsen) Radeos. Brother of George Radeos, Angela Hanna, John Radeos, Nikolas Radeos, and Michael Radeos. Longtime employee of the USPS in Boston. Proud Vietnam era veteran of the US Army. Donations may be made in memory of Peter to Alzheimer’s Research.



SULLIVAN, John M. Born and raised in Dorchester, he was the son of Nora Walsh Sullivan of County Cork and Michael Joseph Sullivan of County Kerry. John’s

brothers were Dan Sullivan and Ed Sullivan; John’s sisters were Helen McGoldrick and Marian Wallace. Husband of Mary (Tobey) Sullivan (Wellesley) and Ruth E. Sullivan (predeceased). Father of Chris Sullivan of Salem, Michael Sullivan of West Hartford, CT, Julie Babineau of West Roxbury, Daniel Sullivan of Natick, Mark Sullivan of Weston, CT, and Ellen Sullivan of Natick) Favorite father-in-law of Amit Ghosh, Kathleen Sullivan, and Krista Trousdale. Grandfather of 5. WWII veteran. John served for twenty years as the MTA’s Associate Executive Director, directing the MTA’s political and legislative strategies and operations. John led the MTA’s legislative efforts in advocating the passage of the Students with Disabilities Act (766), Bilingual Education Act and school finance reforms. To honor John, feel free to contribute to the charity of your choice (he had too many for any one group to be singled out!) -- but more important, he would rather you take the time to reach out to a friend or family member, read a book to a child, ask a teenager what he or she has been reading lately, write a poem or explore a new passion. Any one of those simple acts would please him enormously.



WALSH, Joseph K. of Falmouth, formerly of Milton, originally from Jamaica Plain. Husband of Margaret (Brunnock). Father of Joseph Walsh of Falmouth, Marybeth Emerson and her husband Brad of NH, Catherine “Cathy” Walsh of Milton, Margaret “Meg” Furey and her husband Chris of OH, Kevin Walsh and his wife MaryJane of Milton, Brian Walsh and his wife May Khairy of Montreal, Paul Walsh and his wife Jacqueline “Jackie” of Hong Kong, and Annie Watts and her husband Brent of Duxbury. Brother of Father Aidan Walsh of Milton, and the late Sr. Mary Walsh, John, Thomas, James, and Daniel Walsh, and the late Elizabeth “Ciss” Flaherty. Also survived by 19 grandchildren. Donations may be made in his memory to the Plumbers and Gasfitters Local 12 Education Scholarship Fund, 1240 Massachusetts Ave., Boston, MA 02125. Veteran US Navy.

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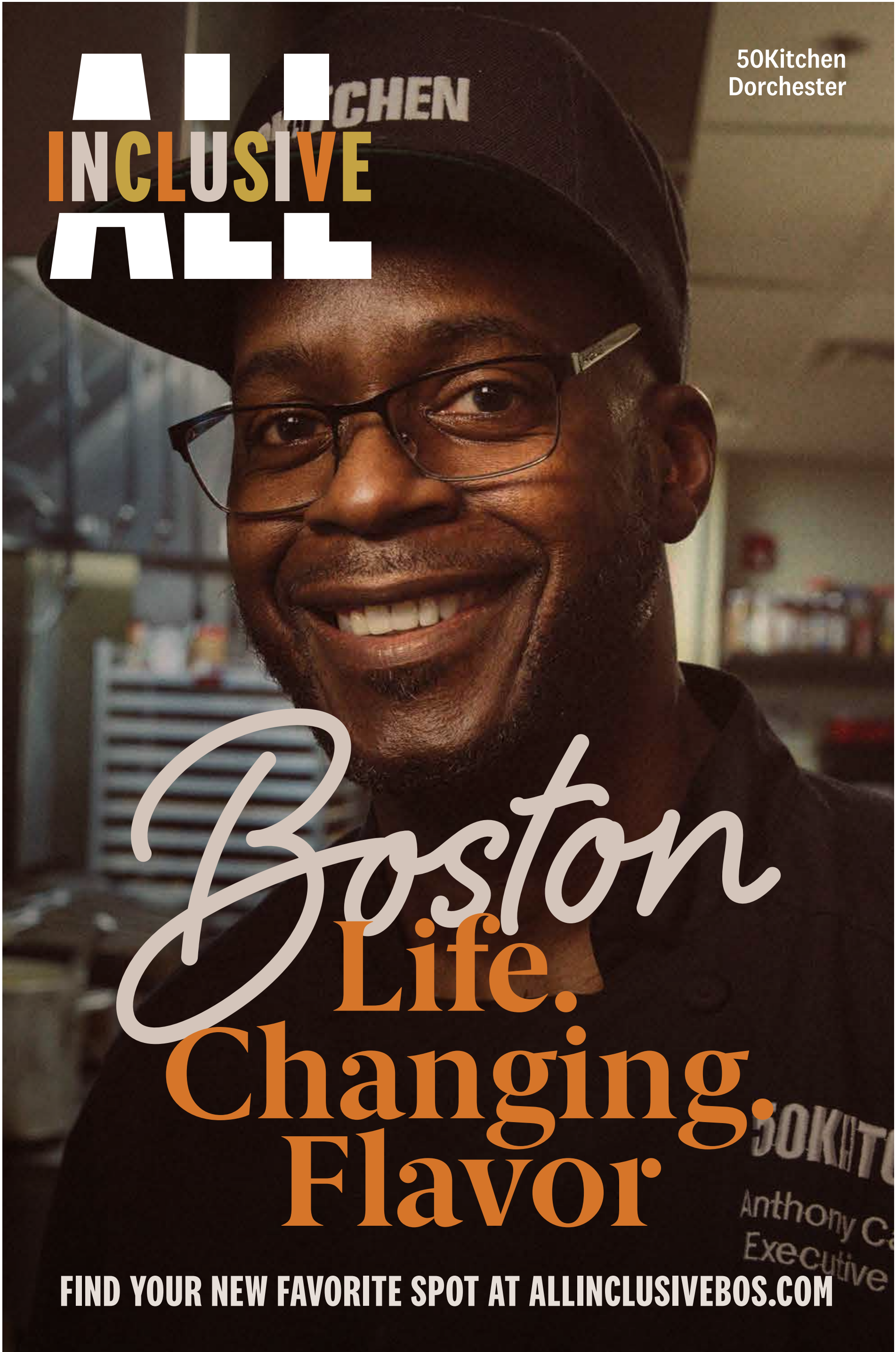


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