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**CITY OF BOSTON
IN CITY COUNCIL**

**ORDER FOR A HEARING REGARDING EXISTING
RESIDENTIAL UNIT DIVERSITY ACROSS BOSTON**

WHEREAS: Housing development is a necessary aspect of our economy, our reality, and our communities in the City of Boston; and

WHEREAS: The affirmatively furthering fair housing zoning code amendment will help the City of Boston to undo the legacy of redlining and housing discrimination; and

WHEREAS: While it will take time for our neighborhoods to reflect the zoning code changes, much information can be gleaned from assessing our existing housing stock, including the number and distribution of family-sized, affordable, Section 8, elder, artist, sober and other supportive housing units; and

WHEREAS: Such awareness of our existing housing stock will help our residents, civic associations, and developers understand the housing needs of our neighborhoods based on real data; and

WHEREAS: Further, having an understanding of our existing housing stock and what kinds of units we need to equitably house our residents will help us more proactively shape an inclusive and thriving city, **THEREFORE, BE IT**

ORDERED: That the appropriate committee of the Boston City Council hold a hearing regarding the community notification process for development projects. Members of the public, civic associations, the Boston Planning and Development Agency, the Boston Housing Authority, and the Department of Neighborhood Development will be invited to participate.

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