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## CITY OF BOSTON IN CITY COUNCIL

## ORDER FOR A HEARING REGARDING THE IMPLEMENTATION OF THE #BPSREADY REOPENING PLAN

WHEREAS: On August 12th, 2020, Boston Public Schools presented the #BPSReady Reopening plan and on August 21st, the Mayor and Superintendent announced a substantial update to the reopening; and

**WHEREAS:** The implementation of the #BPSReady plan illuminated further challenges and strengths of the District's approach; and

WHEREAS: As a city, we have learned from the realities of community spread of COVID-19 in Boston during the fall, which led to many changes to the #BPSReady plan and many efforts to tackle the new challenges that arose in our school communities; and

WHEREAS: On January 8th, 2021, Governor Baker announced that weekly pooled testing will be available to every school district in Massachusetts, which will provide critical data regarding the presence of COVID-19 is in our schools; and

WHEREAS: To ensure that the Boston City Council provides an opportunity to every student, parent, teacher, and staff person to continue to ask questions and lift up concerns regarding the reopening of Boston Public Schools, THEREFORE, BE IT

**ORDERED:** That the appropriate committee of the Boston City Council hold a hearing to examine the implementation of the #BPSReady Plan, the impacts of the phased-in hybrid learning model on our students and BPS staff, the information the pooled testing provides, as well as the BPS practices instituted to further reduce community spread of COVID-19.

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