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CITY OF BOSTON IN CITY COUNCIL

ORDER FOR A HEARING TO ESTABLISH A HOMETOWN MILITARY HEROES BANNER PROGRAM

WHEREAS, Many civic and neighborhood groups around the City of Boston have taken initiative to honor hometown Veterans by hanging banners and similar monuments along central commercial districts; *and,*

WHEREAS, Most recently within our city, West Roxbury Main Streets displayed banners along Centre Street, honoring Veterans living with in West Roxbury; *and,*

WHEREAS, Other neighboring towns like Milton, Stoughton, Lowell and Maynard, have similar initiatives. However instead of the task falling on civic associations and private individuals, the city manages these programs for a fee; *and,*

WHEREAS, Running such a program through the city will allow us to spread these honors citywide, and incorporate neighborhoods and individuals that might not be engaged in civic associations and other private and nonprofit programs; *and,*

WHEREAS, Such an initiative will also provide our city an additional way to honor the City of Boston residents currently serving in the armed forces, veterans who have served in the past, and those we have lost; **NOW,
THEREFORE BE IT**

ORDERED: That the appropriate committee of the Boston City Council holds a hearing to discuss establishing a hometown military heroes banner program. Representatives from the appropriate departments of the administration and other interested parties will be invited, and members of the public are encouraged to attend and testify.

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