

<u>PROCLAMATION</u>

Whereas: The City of Boston is one of America's most historic cities and has been on the forefront of the

development of our nation; Our City's history reflects its own vitality; AND

Whereas: May is National Historic Preservation Month. Established by the National Trust for Historic

Preservation, this month-long celebration of the wide range of historic places and resources

that enrich our City helps spotlight the efforts of individuals, neighborhood groups and

regulatory agencies to protect and enhance these special places; AND

Whereas: The reinvestment in historic resources creates sustainable and resilient neighborhoods that

promote the reuse of existing infrastructure; support areas that are walkable, energy efficient,

and adaptable to climate impacts; and enhance community livability; AND

Whereas: The Boston Landmarks Commission, the City's preservation planning agency, has partnered

with organizations across the City to offer a month of events that highlight Boston's unique

architectural character; AND

Whereas: Boston Preservation Month offers many public events and activities in all Boston

neighborhoods for residents and visitors alike to enjoy; the City will host a variety of tours, talks, and exhibits that celebrate and promote Boston's history, architecture, archaeology,

parks, and historic neighborhoods; AND

Whereas: On Wednesday, May 1, 2019, The New England Historical and Genealogical Society will serve

as host venue for an event to kickoff National Historic Preservation Month; NOW

Therefore: I, Martin J. Walsh, Mayor of Boston, do hereby declare the month of May of the year 2019 to

be:

BOSTON PRESERVATION MONTH

in the City of Boston

I encourage all of my fellow Bostonians to join me in celebrating Boston's rich history and recognizing the importance of historic preservation to the quality of life in our City.

MAYOR OF BOSTON

May 2019