

# The City of Boston



## PROCLAMATION

- Whereas,** *Katherine T. "Kittie" Knox was a trailblazing woman who broke racial and gender barriers in the late 19th-century Boston cycling scene; AND*
- Whereas,** *Ms. Knox was a resident of the West End, living with her family at 3 Irving Street (at the intersection with Cambridge Street); AND*
- Whereas,** *Ms. Knox was known not only for her skills on her bicycle but also her entrepreneurial spirit for designing and making her own bicycling garments; AND*
- Whereas,** *The City of Boston is interested in lifting up narratives of courageous Black women throughout the City's history; AND*
- Whereas,** *Ms. Knox made news across the country (and in Canada) through her cycling feats in the 1890s; AND*
- Whereas,** *The City of Boston recognizes the importance of visibility in naming things after women; AND*
- Whereas,** *Ms. Knox changed the bicycling world through her persistent and passionate presence; NOW*
- Therefore,** *I, Martin J. Walsh, Mayor of the City of Boston, do hereby declare August 20, 2020, to be:*

### ***Katherine T. "Kittie" Knox Day*** *in the City of Boston*

*I urge my fellow Bostonians to join me in remembrance of Katherine T. "Kittie" Knox, dedication to her neighbors, cycling and the Boston community.*

**MARTIN J. WALSH**  
**MAYOR OF BOSTON**  
*August 20, 2020*