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HOME RULE PETITION

- **WHEREAS,** Alex Guzman is 43 years old, was born in the Dominican Republic and raised in the United States, has lived in Hyde Park since 2007 and is a US citizen, and has spent 13 years working with Boston Housing Authority. Alex is scheduled to take the civil service exam in March 2024; and
- WHEREAS, Mr. Alex Guzman has served the community with Boston Housing Authority as a Family Self-Sufficiency Coordinator. Through this work, Mr. Guzman has developed stellar interpersonal skills, the ability to connect with people, and the capability to work in tense environments which would make him an excellent candidate for the position of a Boston Police Officer; and
- WHEREAS, Mr. Alex Guzman has always had an ambition for law enforcement studying Criminal Justice in his undergraduate career; NOW, THEREFORE BE IT
- **ORDERED:** That a petition to the General Court, accompanied by a bill for a special law relating to the City of Boston to be filed with an attested copy of this Order be, and hereby is, approved under Clause One (1) of Section Eight (8) of Article Two (2), as amended, of the Amendments to the Constitution of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, to the end that legislation be adopted precisely as follows, except for clerical or editorial changes of form only:

PETITION FOR A SPECIAL LAW RE: AN ACT DIRECTING THE CITY OF BOSTON POLICE DEPARTMENT TO WAIVE THE MAXIMUM AGE REQUIREMENT FOR POLICE OFFICERS FOR ALEX GUZMAN

<u>SECTION 1.</u> Notwithstanding any general or special law to the contrary, including the provisions of Chapter 43 of the Acts of 2007, the City of Boston Police Department shall waive the maximum age requirement for original appointment of police officers for Alex Guzman. If Alex Guzman meets all other requirements set forth by the Boston Police Department, he shall be eligible to have his name certified for original appointment to the position of police officer.

SECTION 2.

The provisions of this act are severable and if any provision, or portion thereof, should be held to be unconstitutional or otherwise invalid by any court of competent jurisdiction, such unconstitutionality or invalidity shall not affect the remaining provisions, which remain in full force and effect.

SECTION 3.

This act shall take effect upon its passage.

Filed on: February 26, 2024