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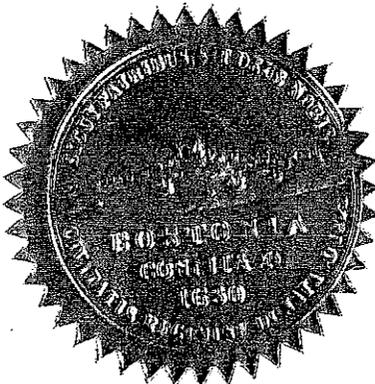
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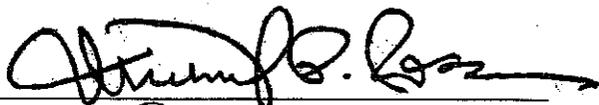
## CITY COUNCIL

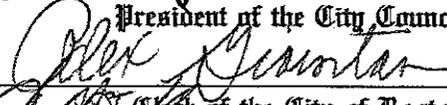
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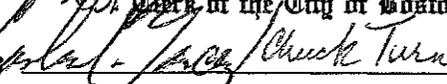
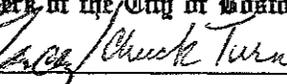
### Thomas A. Farrington, President and Founder, PHEN

- WHEREAS: The Prostate Health Education Network (PHEN), a Boston, Massachusetts based non-profit organization, was founded in 2003 by Thomas A. Farrington, a prostate cancer survivor and author of the books, *Battling the Killer Within*, and *Battling The Killer Within And Winning*; And
- WHEREAS: PHEN's mission is to increase prostate health education and awareness among men at high risk for prostate cancer, specifically African American men; And
- WHEREAS: PHEN's mission also includes efforts to increase the overall support and resources to wage a war on prostate cancer and eventually lead to a cure for the disease; And
- WHEREAS: The Organization sponsors education and awareness activities to help save lives and reduce the African American mortality disparity; And
- WHEREAS: Prostate cancer is the second leading cause of cancer deaths in African American men; and
- WHEREAS: African Americans are more likely to be diagnosed at a later stage of cancer than whites, possibly due to factors such as less knowledge about cancer symptoms and reduced access to cancer screening services; And
- WHEREAS: PHEN has established a network of committed survivors who play an important and crucial role in educating men and their families about prostate cancer, and who help to counsel those facing the disease; Be It Therefore
- RESOLVED: That the Boston City Council, in meeting assembled, praises the Prostate Health Education Network and Thomas A. Farrington for increasing prostate health education and increasing resources to find a cure for the disease; And Be It Further
- RESOLVED: That the Boston City Council, in meeting assembled, congratulates the Prostate Health Education Network for sponsoring the sixth annual *Tee Off to Fight Prostate Cancer* golf tournament and community prostate health awareness day on June 24, 2009 at the Franklin Park Golf Course in Boston, Massachusetts; And Be It Further
- RESOLVED: That the Boston City Council, in meeting assembled, designates June 24, 2009 as Prostate Health Education Network Day in the City of Boston.



By:   
President of the City Council

Attest:   
City Clerk of the City of Boston

Offered by:  

Date: June 24<sup>th</sup>, 2009