

CITY OF BOSTON

IN THE YEAR TWO THOUSAND NINE

RESOLUTION IN SUPPORT OF THE HYATT HOUSEKEEPING STAFF AND THEIR FULL REINSTATEMENT

WHEREAS The firing and replacement of 98 housekeeping employees in three Boston-area Hyatt Hotels has led to a national outcry of the hotel's mismanagement and poor treatment of its employees; and,

WHEREAS Due to the unpopular management decisions on behalf of Hyatt, governments are threatening to boycott the hotel, in addition to local businesses and organizations that have planned events. The ripple effects from their actions throughout the community is extremely regrettable; and,

WHEREAS, While the business decision to reduce staff as a result of economic challenges is something that this organization – the city of Boston – is sensitive to, Hyatt was wrong in the treatment of its employees; NOW THEREFORE BE IT

RESOLVED, That the Boston City Council demands that the 98 fired employees be given their jobs back at the same pay-rate and with the same benefits; BE IT FURTHER

RESOLVED, That if Hyatt Hotels does not reinstate these workers, that the Boston City Council will join with other governments and businesses in boycotting their services.

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