

City of Boston
IN
CITY COUNCIL

RESOLUTION OF COUNCILLOR JOHN TOBIN

WHEREAS: Turkey is the only secular democracy in the Muslim world, a staunch ally of the United States, and has made significant contributions to United States' foreign policy as well as playing a crucial role in international efforts for peace, prosperity, and stability; and

WHEREAS: Turkish traditions have had a profound effect on the United States and have brought a distinct spiritual and cultural heritage to the City of Boston; and

WHEREAS: Many individuals of Turkish descent have chosen our community as their home— playing a considerable role in the City of Boston by incorporating their rich culture into their lives as citizens; and

WHEREAS: On October 29th, 1923, the Republic of Turkey was founded by Mustafa Kemal Atatürk and all Turks and Turkish Americans will be celebrating Turkish Republic Day on October 29th; and

WHEREAS: The Turkish American Cultural Society of New England is celebrating the 86th anniversary of the founding of the Republic of Turkey with a flag raising ceremony on October 29th at City Hall and the opening of the Annual Boston Turkish Festival.
THEREFORE BE IT

RESOLVED: That the Boston City Council extends its best wishes for continued success to the Republic of Turkey and Turkish Americans and does hereby proclaim October 29th, 2009 to be Turkish Republic Day in the City of Boston and further urges all Bostonians to celebrate the numerous contributions made by Turkish Americans to the City, State, and Nation.



By: *Thomas J. Hanley*
President of the City Council

Attest: *Alex Goulet*
Clerk of the City of Boston

Offered by: *John Tobin*

Date: *October 27th, 2009*