WHEREAS: Mehrangiz Kar has been a champion of women’s rights and equality in Iran for over 30 years; and

WHEREAS: She was imprisoned, her law practice destroyed, and her husband targeted because of her activism; and

WHEREAS: Despite these risks and setbacks, Mehrangiz Kar has bravely pushed forward in her fight for gender equality through her writing, speeches, and teaching; and

WHEREAS: Gender equality does not yet prevail throughout the world, and many women remain marginalized and discriminated against because of their gender; and

WHEREAS: The City of Boston appreciates and does not take its diverse population for granted, and constantly is searching for new ways to ensure that the dignity of all people is upheld within this city; and

WHEREAS: Today, December 11, 2010, Mehrangiz Kar is awarded the “Activist of the Year” Award from the American Islamic Congress’s New England Council on the 64th anniversary of the signing of the Declaration of Human Rights; Therefore be it

RESOLVED: That the City of Boston honors Mehrangiz Kar for the obstacles she has overcome and the powerful impact she has made in the struggle for human rights.

By: [Signature] President of the City Council

Attest: [Signature] Clerk of the City of Boston

Offered by: [Signature]

Date: December 10, 2010