



## CITY OF BOSTON IN CITY COUNCIL

### RESOLUTION OFFERED BY COUNCILORS MCCARTHY AND WU

Zakim, O'Malley, Flaherty, LaMattina, Jackson, Essaibi-George, Ciommo, Campbell, Baker, and Pressley

### In Support of Bill H.2723 - An Act Establishing a Rapid Transportation Pilot for the Fairmount Corridor.

WHEREAS, The Fairmount Corridor is commonly referred to as a transit desert as commuters in those neighborhoods experience some of the longest commutes in the Greater Boston region; and

WHEREAS, Bill H.2723 is a proposed pilot program for the Fairmount Line and if passed, would increase train service to every 15 minutes during peak hours and allow use of Charlie Cards, fare transfers and discount passes; and

WHEREAS, The Fairmount Line currently serves approximately 9,000 residents from Dorchester, Mattapan and Hyde Park. Considering that commuting time is the single strongest factor in the odds of escaping poverty, passing of H.2723 would provide the transit equity these neighborhoods deserve; and

WHEREAS, Representative Carvalho has organized an advocacy week from November 12<sup>th</sup> to November 18<sup>th</sup> advocating for the swift passage of H.2723; and

*NOW,*

THEREFORE BE IT ORDERED.

That the Boston City Council support Representative Carvalho's advocacy week and ask that the Honorable Members of the Joint Committee on Transportation report H.2723 favorably out of committee as soon as possible.

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