

City of Boston IN CITY COUNCIL



OFFICIAL RESOLUTION OFFERED BY CITY COUNCILOR MICHELLE WU

- WHEREAS:** Boston is a dynamic city known for its tremendous diversity of many races and ethnicities; *and*
- WHEREAS:** Racial diversity is a social reality that deserves celebration and nurturing; *and*
- WHEREAS:** Boston can be a greater city as it strives towards a more equitable community where biases are reduced and prejudice becomes a forgotten attitude through its vast majority of residents who desire stronger communities, more vibrant neighborhoods, and closer connections with their neighbors; *and*
- WHEREAS:** Boston youth are the key to creating a better Boston that fully embraces the richness of its diversity and the power of human connectedness; *and*
- WHEREAS:** The “Sun Poem”, shared in 1985 by Boston activist Sara Ting, invites us to look within to see the common humanity we all share and challenges us to end our prejudice and states the following: “Are you greater than the sun that shines on everyone...Black, Brown, Yellow, Red and White the sun does not discriminate”; *and*
- WHEREAS:** The poem inspired the creation of World Unity Inc. an organization dedicated to promoting equality, diversity and inclusion by raising self-awareness through the “Sun Poem” and empowering individuals through the arts, education, and innovative ideas; *and*
- WHEREAS:** The poem has been and continues to be used as a powerful tool to bridge differences, and will be recited at the 50th year celebration of Reverend Martin Luther King’s Mountaintop speech; *and*
- RESOLVED:** That the Boston City Council hereby recognizes Sara Ting, World Unity Inc., and the “Sun Poem” for their dedication to a better Boston, and that this Resolution be duly signed by the President of the City Council and attested to and a copy thereof transmitted by the Clerk of City of Boston



By: Andrea J Campbell
President of the City Council

Attest: Ally Fontana
Clerk of the City of Boston

Offered by: Michelle Wu

Date: March 6, 2018