

City of Northampton
MASSACHUSETTS

In City Council

August 17, 2023

Upon recommendation of Mayor Sciarra

23.369 An Order to Appropriate \$30,000 from Stabilization for Part-Time Staff Support for Commission to Investigate Racialized Harms

Whereas, on February 16, 2023, the Northampton City Council adopted Resolution R-23.239 acknowledging the city of Northampton's history of slavery and complicity in the harmful effects of post-slavery racial segregation, discrimination, and systemic racism; and

Whereas, the Resolution committed to the creation of a joint Mayoral-City Council Commission to Investigate Racialized Harms Perpetrated Against Black Residents and Workers in Northampton to consider what initiative should be funded and implemented by the city to support redress and fair treatment for Black people who live, work, and learn in this community and to examine ways to restore, grow, and nourish Black community and culture in Northampton for future generations.

Now, therefore, be it ordered that,

the sum of \$30,000 be appropriated from the Stabilization Fund account (5000 – 340574) and added to the Mayor's FY2024 Salary Line Item PS Technical/Professional (11211-512000) for part-time staff support to the Northampton Commission to Investigate Racialized Harms.