



CITY OF BOSTON IN CITY COUNCIL

ORDER OF CITY COUNCILLOR JOHN M. TOBIN, JR.

- WHEREAS:** Massachusetts Governor Deval Patrick's proposed state budget calls for capping the film tax credit at \$50 million; and
- WHEREAS:** Today the film tax credit is approximately \$125 million; and
- WHEREAS:** According to a report from the University of Massachusetts/Boston, "Massachusetts is one of the fastest growing locations for film and television production in the United States;" and
- WHEREAS:** The Massachusetts State Legislature instituted the film tax credit in 2005 in an effort to attract more television and film production to the state; and
- WHEREAS:** According to the Massachusetts Production Coalition, the film tax credit has helped attract more than \$1 billion in economic activity to the Commonwealth; **Therefore Be It**
- ORDERED:** That the appropriate committee of the Boston City Council hold a public hearing to evaluate the economic impact of the Massachusetts film tax credit on the City of Boston and its residents.

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