



City of Framingham

Proclamation

November 7, 2024

45th Anniversary of Jewish Family Services of Metrowest

WHEREAS, Jewish Family Services of Metrowest is a Framingham-based nonprofit & community-based organization dedicated to accelerating social, academic, and health equity in the City of Framingham and greater MetroWest.

WHEREAS, JFS of Metrowest provides basic needs assistance for struggling families, programs to support low-income and first-generation students, geriatric care management and services for vulnerable senior citizens, as well as citizenship and immigrant programs.

WHEREAS, Jewish Family Services of Metrowest has been answering the call to help with the settlement of the most vulnerable of immigrants. In 2021, it was the Afghan evacuees. In 2022, it was refugees from the Ukrainian War. And last year, it was the massive wave of Haitian asylum seekers seeking a safe haven in Massachusetts.

WHEREAS, JFS of Metrowest's mission is to provide vital social, health, and community services to help alleviate suffering, enhance lives, and support people in need. The organization is guided by Jewish tradition of social responsibility and compassion. JFS of Metrowest helps people achieve and sustain independence, while collaborating with the City of Framingham, Framingham Public School district, and numerous community partners.

WHEREAS, Jewish Family Services of Metrowest is looking to increase affordable housing options for older adults. Partnering with the City of Framingham, the Callahan Center, and the Community Development offices, JFS of Metrowest launched the Framingham Senior Home-Share program. A key component of the collaboration is wrap-around support provided by experienced JFS case management.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT PROCLAIMED, We, City of Framingham Mayor Charlie Sisitsky and the City Council, hereby celebrate the 45th anniversary of Jewish Family Services of Metrowest.

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Attested to by:

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