



City of New Bedford

IN COMMITTEE

June 13, 2019

The Honorable City Council
133 William Street
New Bedford, MA 02740

Dear Honorable Members of the City Council:

The Committee on City Property at a Meeting held on Tuesday, May 21, 2019, considered a WRITTEN MOTION, Councillor Gomes, requesting, once more that the original "Grand Panorama of a Whaling Voyage Around The World" A Spectacle In Motion, be given a permanent home in New Bedford, Massachusetts; and further, that the Committee on Appointments and Briefings and/or the Committee on City Property meet with Whaling Museum officials to make sure that this work of art and history remain in the City of New Bedford; and further, if this panorama of art and history is to be loaned out or permitted to go on the road, that a cost be associated with such action and more importantly, that Whaling Museum staff travel with it and all appropriate equipment needed for the presenting and the protection of this work of art accompany it, and further, that a discussion be held as to the possibility of a permanent location in the City due to the thousands of tourists that visited New Bedford to see this amazing work of art and history this past summer and to ensure that this work of art permanently be part of our showcasing and tourism destination. (Ref'd 10/25/18)

On motion by Councillor Gomes and seconded by Councillor Abreu, the Committee VOTED: That the City Council go on record in support of the "Grand Panorama of a Whaling Voyage Around The World" A Spectacle In Motion and its continued support of the Whaling Museum and its Board. This motion passed on a voice vote.

IN COMMITTEE ON CITY PROPERTY

Councillor Naomi R. A. Carney, Chairperson

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