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RESIDENT PARKING PROGRAM EXPANDED IN DORCHESTER

In cooperation with local residents and the Mayor's Office of Neighborhood Services, the Boston Transportation Department is expanding the Resident Permit Parking Program in Dorchester. This action is being taken to curb the number of commuters and others who frequently park on local streets and take public transportation to their destinations.

Monday through Friday, between the hours of 10 AM and 2 PM, vehicles must display a Dorchester Resident Parking Permit to park on the streets listed below:

- Buttonwood Street, from Locust Street to Columbia Road
- Mt. Vernon Street, from Boston Street to the Expressway (at house#92)
- St. Margaret Street, from Boston Street to Roseclair Street
- Mayhew Street, from Boston Street to Roseclair Street
- Roseclair Street, from Boston Street to Dorchester Avenue
- Locust Street, from Dorchester Avenue to Buttonwood Street.

Resident Parking Only signs have already been posted. In addition, a number of "Two Hour Parking Except Resident Permit" signs have been posted throughout the area to provide visitors with short term parking opportunities. Parking Enforcement Officers will be working in the neighborhood distributing information flyers over the coming weeks. Actual parking tickets will not be issued until Monday, January 8, to give residents enough time to obtain Resident Parking Permits for their vehicles.

Resident Parking Permits are issued by the Boston Transportation Department's Office of the Parking Clerk free of charge. Located in room 224, Boston City Hall, the Office of the Parking Clerk is open Monday through Friday, from 9 AM to 4:30 PM.

To receive a Dorchester permit, the vehicle must be registered to a Dorchester address, and the resident must present a current proof of residency that bears the same name and address as on the vehicle registration. The office accepts utility, cable television, credit card, and water and sewer bills, as well as monthly bank statements, except mortgage. The vehicle owner cannot have any overdue Boston parking tickets issued to his/her current or past vehicle registrations. The first permit must be obtained in person, but in ensuing years, the permit may be renewed by mail.

Boston Transportation Commissioner Thomas J. Tinlin said, "We are pleased to have had this opportunity to work with the Dorchester community to improve parking for neighborhood residents. Expanding the Resident Permit Parking Program to these streets will go a long way toward encouraging commuters and others to leave their cars at home and to take public transportation into the city."