

Boston

PROCLAMATION

Whereas: Boston has enjoyed a deep relationship with Japan since the days of the Iwakura Mission of 1871; and

Whereas: Kyoto and Boston have enjoyed a formal sister-city relationship since 1959, the first such relationship in the United States; and

Whereas: Today's second annual Japan Festival Boston has quickly established itself as a cherished Boston tradition following last year's very successful inaugural festival; and

Whereas: Japan Festival Boston seeks to encourage friendship between Japan and the US by presenting an opportunity for everyone to enjoy Japanese culture and food, and to allow the people of Boston to experience the fun and excitement of a Japanese "Matsuri"; NOW

Therefore, I, Thomas M. Menino, Mayor of the City of Boston, do hereby proclaim Sunday, May 19, 2013 to be

JAPANESE FESTIVAL BOSTON DAY

In the City of Boston.



Thomas M. Menino
Mayor