



Medford City Council  
Medford, Massachusetts

**MEETING DATE**

February 6, 2024

**SPONSORED BY**

Isaac Bears, Council President

**AGENDA ITEM**

**24-028** - Resolution Calling on U.S. Government to End Blockade of Cuba

**FULL TEXT AND DESCRIPTION**

Whereas, for 60 years the United States has imposed an embargo on Cuba having a devastating economic, social, and political impact on the people of Cuba; and

Whereas, U.S. Senators Warren and Markey; U.S. Representatives McGovern, Pressley, Lynch, Moulton, and Trahan; city councils in neighboring cities; and many state and local officials have called on the Biden administration to restore the policies of the Obama administration reducing travel restrictions and removing Cuba from the state sponsors of terrorism list that were reversed under the Trump administration; and

Whereas, the continuation of this policy has a detrimental impact on Medford residents and organizations who have family, business, and research ties with people and organizations in Cuba; now, therefore:

Be it Resolved by the Medford City Council that we urge the Biden administration and our congressional delegation to reverse the Trump decision to add Cuba to the state sponsors of terrorism list and restrict travel between the two countries; and

Be it Further Resolved by the Medford City Council that we urge our congressional delegation to pass legislation to repeal any laws regarding the embargo on Cuba; and

Be it Further Resolved that the City Clerk please submit this resolution to the Offices of Senator Warren, Senator Markey, and Representative Clark.

**RECOMMENDATION**

**FISCAL IMPACT**

## ATTACHMENTS

None