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To: Boston Area College and University Students

Dear Students,

I would like to take this opportunity to provide you with some general information relative to the Boston Police Department’s plan for Super Bowl Sunday and ask that you take an active role in celebrating responsibly.

The Boston Police Department, in the interest of general public safety, has requested certain temporary parking and access restrictions to several locations in the city due to the Super Bowl event. These traffic restrictions cover many streets in/around the Brighton area, Kenmore Square, Northeastern, Faneuil Hall and North Station areas. Please pay close attention to signage. Additionally, there will be restrictions on when and where people can move about on Sunday, February 5th beginning at approximately 6:00 pm. Kenmore Square is one area that will be restricted after the third quarter of play. Boylston and Hemenway Streets will be affected as well. We also want to remind you of your part in celebrating in a responsible and safe manner.

The BPD will have extra patrols monitoring license premise locations as well as those neighborhoods where we typically see an increase in activity. Should you behave in a way that warrants the intervention of police because of misconduct your name will be turned over to your respective Dean of Students for appropriate discipline. Please, if you are out and about, we ask that you also pay particular attention your surroundings, especially vehicular traffic. Do not walk with headphones on, do not wear all dark clothing so motorists can see you and walk in single file if possible for safety reasons.

As I have said in year’s past, Boston and its surrounding communities are fortunate to have exceptional athletic teams and the most loyal and enthusiastic fans. It is our hope that you enjoy the festivities and celebrate in a safe and responsible manner. Please remember that there will be zero tolerance for disruptive and illegal behavior. Keep in mind that you all play a role in our effort to ensure that the City of Boston is a shining example of stellar sports teams and their fans! Go Pats!

Sincerely,

William B. Evans
Police Commissioner