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Whereas an irresponsible “Committee of Sixty,” self-constituted, exclusive and secret, by virtuous and plausible protestations and pretensions, succeeded in imposing upon the City of Boston the present inefficient and unsatisfactory Municipal Government—and whereas said self-constituted “Committee” has again put forth candidates for the Mayoralty and the Board of Aldermen for the ensuing year, and is again endeavoring to impose its candidate upon the people—

Now therefore, in a free and public meeting of the citizens of Boston, each and every Ward being represented, without distinction of party, it is

Resolved, That said self-constituted, self-styled “Committee of Sixty.” illegitimate in its origin, organized under the guise of virtuous necessity, and the assurance of a limited action, has assumed an odious, unwarrantable, illimitable and dangerous dictatorship in the Municipal affairs of the City of Boston.

Resolved, That the people have no confidence in said “Committee,” or in their nominations, and that such nominations ought not to be accepted by the people, however respectable the character of the nominees might be, because the assumption of such prerogatives by said “Committee” is anti-democratic, unnecessary, and dangerous in principle.

Resolved, That a change in the Municipal Government of the City of Boston is needed and desired by the people.

Resolved, That the Hon. J. V. C. SMITH, by his firm and honest maintenance of the laws, his prudent and sagacious action in regard to the City Lands, the preservation of the Public Garden, the promotion of the Public Library, and the general interests of the City during the period in which he formerly held the office of Mayor, with his practical energy, his liberal views, and wise and impartial administration, mark him as the most available and best qualified candidate for the suffrages of the people at the approaching election.

Resolved, That the Ticket for Aldermen, nominated by the “Peoples' Union Convention” is entitled to the confidence and cordial support of the citizens of Boston.
Resolved, That the order of the present City Government, subjecting the Police Department to the expense of a “uniform,” was oppressive, unjust and unnecessary; the “fantastic trick” of a few obstinate, self-willed men, “dressed in a little brief authority.”

Resolved, That the petty squabbles and frequent uncalled for changes, always from bad to worse, made in regard to the School Books used in the Public Schools of Boston during the past year, under the influence and for the interested purposes of certain publishers, is an outrage upon the parents of the scholars, and disgraceful to the City, and calls for immediate and thorough reform.

Per Order of the Executive Committee.