

May 16, 2010**BOSTON****Group kicks off renovation of firehouse**

Mayor Thomas M. Menino and members of Historic Boston Inc. and the Roxbury community gathered to mark the beginning of a \$2 million renovation for the Eustis Street Firehouse in Roxbury, said Katie Ward, a spokeswoman for the mayor's office. The event included a groundbreaking ceremony, community block party, and tours of the historic Eliot burying ground next to the site. Historic Boston Inc., a nonprofit preservation and real estate organization, plans to restore the 1859 firehouse and use it as the group's headquarters. "Today we are celebrating another step in the revitalization of Dudley Square, one of our city's most historic retail districts," said Menino. "The rehabilitation of this storied building is an investment in the past — and the future — of the Roxbury community."