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Stymied by Senate, Wu takes unusual measures

Endorsements of first-time candidates raise some eyebrows

By Samantha J. Gross
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When Mayor Michelle Wu took the microphone at a Brighton restaurant recently, she was 6 miles from the State House. But she may as well have been speaking to Senate leaders face to face.

"We need the state Senate not to be holding us back, not to be delaying, not to be throwing up more obstacles," Wu told a cheering crowd in the Venezuelan restaurant's crowded back room. "We cannot

wait for action. We cannot wait for progress."

Wu delivered her manifesto in formally backing Daniel Lander, her onetime aide vying to unseat Senator William Brownsberger, the chamber's third-ranking Democrat. But it gave voice to a growing exasperation in City Hall over those in the other government building up the hill.

While Wu has many allies in the House, her deteriorating relationships in the Senate have led her

here, dropping the veil and endorsing first-time candidates running against those she views as thwarting one of her biggest priorities: a plan that would shift more of the city's tax burden onto commercial real estate.

Perhaps no issue has more strikingly animated Wu's bitter, nearly two-year-long battle with powerful Democrats in the Senate. It's also the driving force behind her political moves now. She has endorsed both Lander and Latoya Gayle, one

of the Democrats challenging Senator Nicholas Collins, another Wu antagonist.

Her decision to directly insert herself into races against sitting Democrats in her own city, and her unflinching public portrayals of Senate leadership, have prompted even her allies to question her tactics. Wu, fresh from a romp to reelection, is awash in political capital, but she also risks inviting further isolation from the power brokers who pull the legislative levers.

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High court upholds birthright citizenship

6-3 decision is a big loss for Trump, who has sought policy change for years

By Abbie VanSickle
NEW YORK TIMES

WASHINGTON — The Supreme Court on Tuesday struck down President Trump's executive order limiting birthright citizenship, reaffirming the long-held principle that the Constitution guarantees that nearly all children born on US soil are citizens.

The ruling, which was 6-3 to strike down the president's executive order, was a severe blow to a policy pursued by Trump for more than a decade, to prevent babies born to immigrants lacking permanent legal status and temporary foreign residents from automatically becoming Americans.

Chief Justice John Roberts, writing for the majority, explained that Trump's executive order violated a right enshrined in the 14th Amendment of the Constitution. Children born in the United States to undocumented parents or to parents temporarily in the country, he wrote, are citizens at birth.

"Citizenship, then and now, was the right to have rights — to freely participate in our political community," Roberts wrote. "The framers of the

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OUR TURN NOW TO CATCH A BIG WAVE OF HEAT

Europe has been frying and so will we, with signs pointing to climate change

By Kate Selig
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It's about to get really hot here, but it's been even hotter in Europe.

The continent's record heat wave sparked wildfires in German forests, closed hundreds of British schools, and led dozens seeking respite in cooler waters to drown in France. Health officials estimate the extreme temperatures are linked to more than 1,000 deaths across the continent.

Now it is New England's turn, with temperatures forecast to hit triple digits in the Boston area on Thursday, just as residents prepare to spend much of the Fourth of July weekend outdoors.



At top, Shawn Egerton lifted his daughter Avariella as they cooled off in the Ryan Wading Pool in Mattapan. It was a popular place to be on Tuesday.

Climate scientists have already identified the fingerprints of climate change in the European heat wave, where temperatures soared above 104 degrees Fahrenheit in many places, and a town in southwestern France recorded a temperature of nearly 111 degrees.

Researchers with World Weather Attribution, an initiative that conducts rapid studies connecting weather events to climate change, concluded in an analysis released Friday that the continent's high temperatures would have been "virtually impossible" just half a century ago.

It is too soon to say whether New England's heat wave will bear the same hallmarks, but

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Businesses brace for loss of Haitian TPS workers

By Katie Johnston
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Chris White expects to lose 28 employees following the Supreme Court's ruling last Thursday that allows hundreds of thousands of Haitian and Syrian migrants to be expelled from the country.

That will bring the number of workers White has had to let go during President Trump's immigration crackdown to 130 — more than one-eighth of the workforce at the Marshfield developmental disabilities provider Road to Responsibility.

"It's not like these folks were taking jobs that Americans would be doing," said White, who has had to increase overtime pay and bring in temporary relief staff to keep from cutting services. "The reality is we don't have enough people to do the work."

More than 10,000 Haitians in the Massachusetts workforce, many filling crucial jobs in long-term care, construction, and transportation, will lose their Temporary Protected Status. The Trump administration is expected to implement the court ruling any day. And unless they have other legal protections, those with Haitian or Syrian TPS will not be allowed to stay in the country.

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Are you a cake person or a pie person? The answer may say a lot about your personality. **G1.**

Turning the Esplanade into something more

New pavilion with cafe, restrooms will expand access to waterfront

By Alexa Gagosz
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After more than two decades of planning, a corner of the Charles River Esplanade near the Museum of Science is expected to reopen this fall, transforming a once-vacant former pool site into a year-round public hub.

The \$24 million Charlesbank and Smith Family Pavilion has been funded entirely through private donations in what has long been considered the largest-ever private gift for a state park in Massachusetts. The construction project, which began last June, will convert the site into a roughly 9,000-square-foot hub with a cafe, the Esplanade's first year-

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The \$24 million project has been funded entirely through private donations.

