Chronology of Commencement Speakers

1998  William J. Grize, President and Chief Executive Officer, The Stop & Shop Supermarket Company

1999  The Honorable Jane Swift, Lieutenant Governor of Massachusetts

2000  Dr. Joan Wallace-Benjamin, President and Chief Executive Officer, Urban League of Eastern Massachusetts

2001  The Honorable Roderick L. Ireland, Associate Justice of the Massachusetts Supreme Judicial Court

2002  Gerardo Villacrés, Executive Director, Hispanic-American Chamber of Commerce

2003  Andrea J. Cabral, Sheriff, Suffolk County

2004  Amadou Lamine Ba, Ph.D., Ambassador of Senegal to the U.S.

2005  Frances Rivera, 7NEWS Anchor/Reporter

2006  Marjorie Clapprood, Executive Director, One Family, Inc.

2007  The Honorable Jarrett T. Barrios, Massachusetts State Senator

2008  Carol R. Johnson, Ed.D., Superintendent of the Boston Public Schools

2009  Gary L. Gottlieb, M.D., M.B.A., President, Brigham and Women’s Hospital

2010  Benjamin S. Carson, Sr., M.D., Director of Pediatric Neurosurgery, The Johns Hopkins Medical Institutions

2011  Louis Gossett, Jr., Academy Award-winning Actor, and Founder, Eracism Foundation, Inc

2012  Eileen M. Collins, Colonel, U.S. Air Force (Retired)

2013  William H. Swanson, Chairman and Chief Executive Officer, Raytheon

2014  The Honorable Edward J. Markey, Senator for Massachusetts

2015  The Honorable Elizabeth Warren, Senator for Massachusetts

2016  The Honorable Martin J. Walsh, Mayor of Boston

2017  The Honorable Robert A. DeLeo, Speaker of the Massachusetts House of Representatives

2018  Rosalin Acosta, Secretary of Labor and Workforce Development in Massachusetts

2019  Carlos E. Santiago, Commissioner of Higher Education

2021  Anthony J. Blinken, U.S. Secretary of State

2022  Michelle Wu, Mayor of Boston