



City of Cambridge

R-65.

IN CITY COUNCIL

March 18, 2002

COUNCILLOR SIMMONS
VICE MAYOR DAVIS
COUNCILLOR DECKER
COUNCILLOR GALLUCCIO
COUNCILLOR MAHER
COUNCILLOR MURPHY
COUNCILLOR REEVES
MAYOR SULLIVAN
COUNCILLOR TOOMEY

WHEREAS: March is designated as Cambridge Women's History month to coincide with National Women's History Month; and

WHEREAS: Cambridge women of every race, class, and ethnicity and of every era of history have played and continue to play a critical economic, cultural, and social role in every sphere of the life of the City, Commonwealth, and Nation; and

WHEREAS: Cambridge women have been leaders, not only in securing their rights of suffrage and equal opportunity, but also in the abolitionist movement, the emancipation movement, the industrial, the civil rights movement, and other progressive movements, which create a more fair and just society; and

WHEREAS: Despite their many contributions, the role of American women in history has been consistently overlooked, and undervalued; and

WHEREAS: The Cambridge Women's Heritage Project, through on-going programs, initiatives, and research, is working to recognize the remarkable and ordinary women of Cambridge, as well as local institutions in which women are leaders in addressing women's issues and acknowledging women's contributions both past and present; and

WHEREAS: The Heritage Project has singled out for special recognition in 2002 the Women's Center located at 46 Pleasant Street, which opened in January 1972; and

WHEREAS: Since that time projects and services have been available to bring women together for the purpose of gaining control of their lives; and

WHEREAS: At the Women's Center women can begin to meet their needs and change society through working with others on action, education and service projects. The Women's Center works with women to gain control of all aspects of their bodies, jobs, social roles, and creativity; and

WHEREAS: The Women's Center is located in a three-story house. It houses several offices, a sitting room containing notebooks full of information about housing, jobs and other resources, many bulletin boards advertising feminist current events, political actions, support groups and more; a computer room where women can get free training, check e-mail, and use for job searches and gathering information; a library with a large reference section on women's history where women are welcome to take out books for their reading pleasure, a children's room, and many meeting rooms. A quarterly newsletter contains articles and events. The Women's Center is free and all women and their children are welcome; and

WHEREAS: The Women's Center is celebrating its 30th Anniversary; now therefore be it

RESOLVED: That in March, 2002, special recognition is given to the works of the Women's Center to the efforts of women; and be it further

RESOLVED: That the Cambridge City Council recognizes international Women's Day on March 8.

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Adopted by the affirmative vote of nine members.

Attest:- D. Margaret Drury, City Clerk.

A true copy;

ATTEST:-



D. Margaret Drury
City Clerk

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RESOLUTION #65

Special recognition given to the works
of the Women's Center to the efforts
of women.

**Councillor Simmons and entire
membership**

**In City Council March 18, 2002
ORDER ADOPTED.**