



City of Cambridge

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IN CITY COUNCIL

March 16, 1998

COUNCILLOR TRIANTAFILLOU
COUNCILLOR REEVES

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RESOLVED: That the City Manager be and is hereby requested to direct the Law Department to prepare and file an amicus brief with the Supreme Judicial Court supporting domestic partnership generally, and our ordinance specifically as it relates to the question now before the Supreme Judicial Court.

In City Council March 16, 1998.

Adopted by the affirmative vote of nine members.

Attest:- D. Margaret Drury, City Clerk.

A true copy;

ATTEST:-

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "D. Margaret Drury".

D. Margaret Drury
City Clerk

Councilor Triantafillou
Councilor Reeves

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**LATE ORDER REGARDING DOMESTIC PARTNERSHIP QUESTIONS WHICH WERE
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Consent Order #63

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**Councillors Triantafillou and Reeves
re: Law Department to prepare and file
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