



City of Cambridge

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IN CITY COUNCIL
February 8, 1999

MAYOR DUEHAY
COUNCILLOR BORN
COUNCILLOR DAVIS
VICE MAYOR GALLUCCIO
COUNCILLOR REEVES
COUNCILLOR RUSSELL
COUNCILLOR SULLIVAN
COUNCILLOR TOOMEY
COUNCILLOR TRIANTAFILLOU

WHEREAS: On July 24, 1998, our nation was shocked and saddened by the death of Detective John Gibson, a former Cambridge resident, who, along with Private First Class Jacob Chestnut, died tragically and heroically defending the Capital of the United States of America; and

WHEREAS: John Gibson was born on March 29, 1956, in Chicago Illinois, moved to Cambridge in 1961, graduated from the Russell School in 1970, from Saint Mary of the Annunciation in 1974, from Boston State College in 1979 and from the Federal Law Enforcement Training Center in 1980; and

WHEREAS: John Gibson began his career with the U.S. Capital Police in August of 1980 and was promoted to Detective and assigned to the Dignitary Protection Division in 1989; and

WHEREAS: John was the son of Charles and Eleanor Gibson, the husband of Evelyn (Moakley) Gibson, the father of Kristen, John Michael and Daniel Joseph Gibson; and

WHEREAS: John Gibson died defending the Capitol of the United States of America, the symbol of freedom throughout the world, and, in the words of President Clinton, "No greater gift is there than the gift of laying down your life for another;" and

WHEREAS: We, the City Council, the residents of Cambridge and all the citizens of the United States of America owe Detective John Gibson a measure of gratitude which can never be fully repaid for making the ultimate sacrifice while defending our nation and its citizens from violence; now therefore be it

RESOLVED: That the City of Cambridge hereby honor Detective John Gibson by naming the corner of Broadway and Tremont Street as "**John Gibson Square;**" and be it further

RESOLVED: That the City Clerk be and hereby is requested to forward a suitably engrossed copy of this resolution to the family of Detective John Gibson on behalf of the entire City Council.

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Adopted by the affirmative vote of nine members.

Attest:- D. Margaret Drury, City Clerk.

A true copy;

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "D. Margaret Drury", written in a cursive style.

ATTEST:-

D. Margaret Drury
City Clerk

MAYOR DUEHAY

① ~~late Order~~
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Consent Order #1

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Mayor Duehay re: dedicate the corner of
Broadway and Tremont Street as "John
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heroic death on July 24, 1998
defending the Capitol of the United
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ORDER ADOPTED