



City of Cambridge

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IN CITY COUNCIL

March 7, 1994

MAYOR REEVES
COUNCILLOR BORN
COUNCILLOR DUEHAY
COUNCILLOR MYERS
COUNCILLOR SULLIVAN
COUNCILLOR TOOMEY
COUNCILLOR TRIANTAFILLOU
COUNCILLOR WALSH
VICE MAYOR RUSSELL

WHEREAS: The Cambridge Young Men's Christian Association has provided safe and affordable housing for nearly a century from its Central Square facilities; and

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WHEREAS: The Cambridge Family YMCA is dedicating Central House as The Mervyn D. DeMille YMCA Residence, in recognition of one of this community's civic leaders who dedicated his YMCA career to serve others in affordable housing; now therefore be it

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Adopted by the affirmative vote of nine members.

Attest:- D. Margaret Drury, City Clerk.

A true copy;

ATTEST:-

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Consent Order #2
Sullivan Toomey *R-101*
Walsh

Mayor Reeves re: Applaud the
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Order Adopted

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