



City of Cambridge

48.

IN CITY COUNCIL

March 31, 1997

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

WHEREAS: **Hafsat Abiola**, daughter of the elected president of Nigeria who has been imprisoned by the military since 1994, will return to Cambridge to speak at Cambridge City Hall, Tuesday, April 15, 7:00-9:00 p.m.; and

WHEREAS: Ms. Abiola is a compassionate and compelling voice for freedom; now therefore be it

RESOLVED: That the City Council go on record welcoming **Hafsat Abiola** back to Cambridge and urging all Cantabrigians to be cognizant of the opportunity to listen to this brave and articulate young woman.

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Adopted by the affirmative vote of eight members.

Attest:- D. Margaret Drury, City Clerk.

A true copy;

D. Margaret Drury

ATTEST:-

D. Margaret Drury
City Clerk

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~~she will speak for another evening and~~
~~depart~~

to speak at Cambridge City Hall, ~~on~~
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welcoming Hafsah Abiola back to Cambridge
and urging all Cambridgeans to be
the opportunity to listen to
organizers of AFRO brace and articulate
young women.



Come and speak with Hafsat Abiola

Daughter of the elected president of Nigeria (imprisoned by the military since 1994), Hafsat is crossing the United States to tell her story of Nigeria. In June of 1996, Hafsat's mother Kudirat was assassinated for continuing to speak out. Now Hafsat is taking up the work of telling the truth and calling for a non-violent restoration of democracy. Hafsat speaks about the situation of women in Nigeria, the history of British rule, the current domination by Shell Oil and the paths for support from Cambridge. A compassionate and compelling voice for freedom, Hafsat has begun a network for "Friends of Nigeria".

Tuesday, April 15, 7-9 PM,
Cambridge City Hall, 795 Mass. Ave.

CRLS Youth Peace and Justice Corps students who heard Hafsat speak in March have begun a campaign to call on the city council to take action in support of Nigeria. Cambridge faith audiences and citizen groups are following suit.

Free to the public, wheel-chair accessible, Taped for re-broadcast on Cambridge Cable TV

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Entire Member ship
Consent Order #48

R-477

Councillor Reeves RE: Welcome Hafsat
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ORDER ADOPTED