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RESOLUTION: DR. MARTIN LUTHER KING JR.

WHEREAS: DR. MARTIN LUTHER KING JR. WAS AN AMERICAN CIVIL RIGHTS LEADER WHOSE MAIN PURPOSE IN LIFE WAS TO BRING ABOUT SOCIAL, POLITICAL AND ECONOMIC EQUALITY FOR ALL PEOPLE REGARDLESS OF RACE; AND

WHEREAS: DR. MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR. GRADUATED FROM MOREHOUSE COLLEGE IN 1951, CONTINUED HIS STUDIES AT CROZER THEOLOGICAL SEMINARY, AND RECEIVED HIS PH. D. IN THEOLOGY FROM BOSTON UNIVERSITY IN 1956; AND

WHEREAS: DR. MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR., WHILE ATTENDING BOSTON UNIVERSITY, DID PRACTICE THE MINISTRY AT THE UNION BAPTIST CHURCH, 874 MAIN STREET, THEREBY POSITIVELY AND DIRECTLY AFFECTING THE CITIZENRY OF CAMBRIDGE MASSACHUSETTS; AND

WHEREAS: IN 1956 DR. KING LED A BOYCOTT OF THE BUS LINES IN MONTGOMERY, ALABAMA, WHICH ENDED WHEN THE SUPREME COURT RULED THAT SEGREGATION ON BUS LINES WAS ILLEGAL; AND

WHEREAS: IN 1957 HE HELPED ORGANIZE AND SERVED AS FIRST PRESIDENT OF THE SOUTHERN CHRISTIAN LEADERSHIP CONFERENCE, AN ORGANIZATION WHOSE MEMBERS WORKED PEACEFULLY FOR CIVIL RIGHTS; AND

WHEREAS: HE SOUGHT TO EQUALIZE OPPORTUNITIES FOR ALL THROUGH A NON-VIOLENCE PHILOSOPHY, THE CORE OF WHICH WAS THAT IT TAKES MORE STRENGTH TO LOVE THAN TO HATE, AND THAT NO MAN SHOULD STOOP SO LOW AS TO HATE ANYBODY; AND

WHEREAS HE WAS THE FIRST BLACK TO BE FEATURED ON THE COVER OF "TIME" AS MAN OF THE YEAR FOR 1963 AND, IN 1964, AFTER THE CIVIL RIGHTS BILL WAS PASSED BY CONGRESS, HE RECEIVED THE NOBEL PEACE PRIZE THUS WINNING THE RESPECT AND ADMIRATION OF EDUCATED AND INTELLIGENT PEOPLE THROUGHOUT THE WORLD; AND

WHEREAS DR. MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR. SAW IN HIS HEART THE WORLD AS HE WOULD LIKE IT TO BE AND DREAMED THAT ALL CHILDREN WOULD ONE DAY LIVE IN A NATION WHERE THEY WOULD NOT BE JUDGED BY THE COLOR OF THEIR SKIN, BUT BY THE CONTENT OF THEIR CHARACTER; AND

WHEREAS: HE DREAMED THAT ONE DAY THIS NATION WILL RISE UP AND LIVE THE TRUE MEANING OF THE CREED: "WE HOLD THESE TRUTHS TO BE SELF-EVIDENT; THAT ALL MEN ARE CREATED EQUAL;" NOW THEREFORE, BE IT

RESOLVED: THAT THE DR. MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR. SCHOOL STAND AS A WORTHY AND LIVING MEMORIAL TO DR. KING; AND BE IT FURTHER

RESOLVED: THAT THE CITIZENS OF CAMBRIDGE WILL REFLECT HIS IDEALS AND PRINCIPLES.

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CHARLES L. STEAD SR.
REGINA B. KEY
DENISE SHERRIL HAYNES
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City of Cambridge

11.

MAYOR VELLUCCI
COUNCILLOR GRAHAM

IN CITY COUNCIL

January 10, 1983

- WHEREAS: Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. was an American civil rights leader whose main purpose in life was to bring about social, political and economic equality for all people regardless of race; and
- WHEREAS: Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. graduated from Morehouse College in 1951, continued his studies at Grozer Theological Seminary and received his Ph.D in Theology from Boston University in 1956; and
- WHEREAS: Dr. Martin Luther King Jr., while attending Boston University did practice the ministry at the Union Baptist Church, 874 Main Street, thereby positively and directly affecting the citizenry of Cambridge, Massachusetts; and
- WHEREAS: In 1956 Dr. King led a boycott of the bus lines in Montgomery, Alabama, which ended when the Supreme Court ruled that segregation on bus lines was illegal; and
- WHEREAS: In 1957 he helped organize and served as first president of the Southern Christian Leadership Conference, an organization whose members worked peacefully for civil rights; and
- WHEREAS: He sought to equalize opportunities for all through a non-violence philosophy, the core of which was that it takes more strength to love than to hate and that no man should stoop so low as to hate anybody; and
- WHEREAS: He was the first black to be featured on the cover of "Time" as Man of the Year for 1963 and, in 1964 after the Civil Rights Bill was passed by Congress, he received the Nobel Peace Prize, thus winning the respect and admiration of educated and intelligent people throughout the world; and
- WHEREAS: Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. saw in his heart the world as he would like it to be and dreamed that all children would one day live in a nation where they would not be judged by the color of their skin, but by the content of their character; and
- WHEREAS: He dreamed that one day this nation will rise up and live the true meaning of the creed: "We hold these truths to be self-evident, that all men are created equal"; now therefore be it
- RESOLVED: That the Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. School stand as a worthy and living memorial to Dr. King; and be it further
- RESOLVED: That this City Council go on record urging the citizens of Cambridge to reflect Dr. King's ideals and principles.

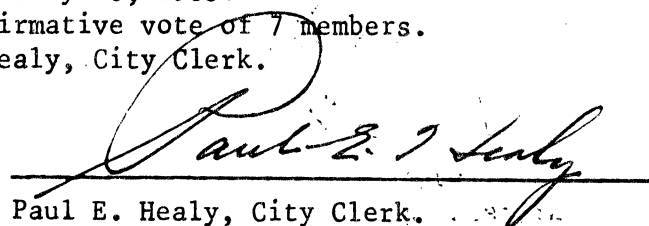
In City Council January 10, 1983.

Adopted by the affirmative vote of 7 members.

Attest:- Paul E. Healy, City Clerk.

A true copy;

ATTEST:-


Paul E. Healy, City Clerk.

Order # 11

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Mayor Vellucci & C. Graham re: resolutions
on Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr.

In City Council,

January 10, 1983

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