



City of Cambridge

17.

IN CITY COUNCIL
October 20, 1975

Councillor Russell

WHEREAS:

It was on November 1, 1925, that a small group of Portuguese immigrants decided to found the fraternal society to which they gave the name of Portuguese Continental Union in order to protect their families against any unforeseen calamities, and

WHEREAS:

With a scarce amount of money donated by the first founders, the Society began 50 years of continuous progress obtaining by 1974 as many as 70 lodges, 9,000 members and assests amounting to \$1,600,000 and

WHEREAS:

During these 50 years, over \$2.5 million has been paid to its members for death and disability benefits along with many thousands of dollars being awarded for scholarships, and charitable contributions for Portuguese Americans as well as for other ethnic groups and organizations, and

WHEREAS:

Through these many lodges, the most diversified activities, both civic and fraternal, are promoted, such as hospital visits, Christmas parties, excursions, picnics, social meetings, etc., and

WHEREAS:

These activities bring about, among the members, social fraternalism, peace and love, while obtaining respect and admiration to the Portuguese people from other ethnic groups, now therefore be it

RESOLVED:

That this City Council go on record offering our congratulations and best wishes to the Portuguese Continental Union of the United States of America Supreme Lodge as well as Cambridge Lodge #2, Liberdade, for all their humanitarian efforts, and be it further

RESOLVED:

That a copy of this resolution be forwarded to the Presidents of the Portuguese Continental Union Supreme Lodge and Cambridge Lodge #2, Liberdade.

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Adopted by the affirmative vote of 7 members.
Attest: Paul E. Healy, City Clerk.

A true copy,

ATTEST:

CITY CLERK

Order #175-399

C. Russell resolutions on the Portuguese
Continental Union Supreme Lodge and Cambridge
Lodge #2, Liberdade.

LP/A

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