

RESOLVED: That the City Clerk be and hereby is requested to forward a suitably engrossed copy of this resolution to Food for Free on behalf of the entire City Council.

In City Council September 25, 2006.

Adopted by the affirmative vote of nine members.

Attest:- D. Margaret Drury, City Clerk.

A true copy;

ATTEST:-

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "D. Margaret Drury". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large, looped initial "D".

D. Margaret Drury
City Clerk



City of Cambridge

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IN CITY COUNCIL

September 25, 2006

MAYOR REEVES
COUNCILLOR DAVIS
COUNCILLOR DECKER
COUNCILLOR GALLUCCIO
COUNCILLOR KELLEY
COUNCILLOR MURPHY
COUNCILLOR SIMMONS
COUNCILLOR SULLIVAN
VICE MAYOR TOOMEY

- WHEREAS: It has come to the attention of the City Council that the Food for Free program will be celebrating its 25th anniversary; and
- WHEREAS: Food for Free is a program in Cambridge dedicated to feeding low-income individuals and families in the community; and
- WHEREAS: Every morning volunteers and drivers visit Grocery Stores, Farmers Markets and produce centers to solicit donations of produce that would otherwise go wasted at the end of the day to bring to Food for Free and distribute to the community; and
- WHEREAS: In 1991, Food For Free planted their first Field of Greens. Each summer, they supplement the produce we rescue with nutrient-dense vegetables grown by their own staff and volunteers who put in hundreds of hours of time each year to help grow tons of carrots, eggplants, peppers, broccoli, cabbage, spinach, lettuce, collards and kale for distribution; and
- WHEREAS: The Home Delivery Program allows low-income Cambridge residents who are too sick or disabled to access food pantries on their own the opportunity to receive monthly deliveries of food at their own homes. Each month, they deliver more than forty pounds of food to each of forty housebound individuals who have been referred by their health care providers or social workers; and
- WHEREAS: Food For Free rescues food directly from Linden Tree Farm, in Lincoln; Gaining Ground and Verrill Farm, both in Concord; and Waltham Fields Community Farm, in Waltham. Every week during the growing season, their drivers visit these farms to gather fresh vegetables, which they immediately deliver to local food programs; now therefore be it
- RESOLVED: That the City Council go on record congratulating Food for Free for reaching their 25 year mark, and thank the organization for providing a very valuable, noble, and much needed service to the Cambridge Community; and be it further

RESOLUTION #6

Congratulations to the Food for
Free program on the occasion of
its 25th anniversary.

**Mayor Reeves and entire
membership**

**In City Council
September 25, 2006**

ORDER ADOPTED