



City of Cambridge

R-8.

IN CITY COUNCIL

December 17, 2001

MAYOR GALLUCCIO
COUNCILLOR BORN
COUNCILLOR BRAUDE
COUNCILLOR DAVIS
COUNCILLOR DECKER
VICE MAYOR MAHER
COUNCILLOR REEVES
COUNCILLOR SULLIVAN
COUNCILLOR TOOMEY

WHEREAS: A blood donation drive for City of Cambridge, Cambridge School Department, and Cambridge Health Alliance employees will be held on January 11, 2002 from 12:00 PM to 5:00 PM at the Cambridge Citywide Senior Center; and

WHEREAS: The horrific events of September 11, 2001 increased public awareness about the importance of donating blood; and

WHEREAS: Blood cannot be manufactured and its only source is a healthy volunteer donor; and

WHEREAS: The supply of donated blood and blood products needs to be replenished on a regular basis; and

WHEREAS: More than 350,000 donations a year are required to meet the needs for blood in central and northern New England; and

WHEREAS: Over 1,200 units of blood need to be collected daily in order to meet the needs of hospital patients in central and northern New England; and

WHEREAS: Blood that is special or rare is almost always in short supply and there is a constant need for these blood types in order to avoid having to recruit specific blood types in a crisis; and

WHEREAS: Heart surgery uses an average of three units of red blood cells; and

WHEREAS: Children being treated for cancer, premature infants and children having heart surgery need blood and platelets from donors of all types; and

WHEREAS: Blood transfusions are critical for people suffering from anemia; and

WHEREAS: Cancer, transplant and trauma patients and people undergoing open-heart surgery often require blood and platelet transfusions to survive; and

- WHEREAS: Voluntary blood donations can help save the life of a patient with cancer, heart disease, gastrointestinal disease, anemia, fractures, trauma, bone and joint disease, liver, kidney and lung disease or other serious medical conditions; and
- WHEREAS: Blood donation is a strong indication of a community wide sense of caring and responsibility; now therefore be it
- RESOLVED That this City Council strongly urges all City of Cambridge, Cambridge School Department, and Cambridge Health Alliance employees who are able to donate blood to participate in this blood donation drive on January 11; and be it further
- RESOLVED That this City Council extends its gratitude to and commends the staff of the City of Cambridge, the staff of the Cambridge School Department, the staff of the Cambridge Health Alliance and the residents of the City of Cambridge who have donated blood in order to maintain an adequate and easily accessible supply of blood and blood products for our community.

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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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City Clerk

12/16/01 - 12:30pm

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Resolution #8

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Urge City of Cambridge employees
to be cognizant of the blood
donation drive on January 11, 2001
from 12:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m. at the
Cambridge Senior Center.

**Mayor Galluccio and entire
membership**

In City Council December 17, 2001

ORDER ADOPTED