



City of Cambridge

25.

IN CITY COUNCIL

March 3, 1997

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

WHEREAS: **Hafsat Abilola** is the daughter of Hoshood Abiola, elected president of Nigeria in 1993 and imprisoned by the military since late 1993; and

WHEREAS: Hafsat's mother, Kudirat Abiola, was assassinated in June for carrying on the message of unity and democracy in Nigeria; and

WHEREAS: Hafsat, in her own right is now seeking to educate the people in the United States about the situation in Nigeria including the harsh military rule and the economic devastation resulting from the domination by Shell Oil over the wealth of country; and

WHEREAS: Hafsat graduated from Harvard University in January and is returning to Cambridge for the week of March 3-9 to speak at Cambridge Rindge and Latin School and to participate in a celebration of women's courage from 1:00 to 5:00 Sunday, March 9 at the YWCA of Cambridge; now therefore be it

RESOLVED: That the Cambridge City Council formally welcomes Hafsat to Cambridge and to the City Council Chamber; and be it further

RESOLVED: That the entire City Council salute **Hafsat Abilola** for her courage, extend their deepest condolences for the death of her mother and support her in her quest to achieve through non-violent means the restoration of democracy to Nigeria.

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Adopted by the affirmative vote of nine members.

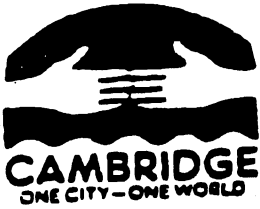
Attest:- D. Margaret Drury, City Clerk.

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**CAMBRIDGE PEACE COMMISSION**

A Department of the City of Cambridge
51 Inman Street
Cambridge, MA 02139
(617) 349-4694, FAX (617)349-4766



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Mayor Russell

WHEREAS: HAFSAT ABILOLA IS THE DAUGHTER OF HOSHOOD ABIOLA, ELECTED PRESIDENT OF NIGERIA IN 1993 AND IMPRISONED BY THE MILITARY SINCE LATE 1993 AND

WHEREAS: HAFSAT'S MOTHER KUDIRAT ABIOLA WAS ASSASINATED IN JUNE FOR CARRYING ON THE MESSAGE OF UNITY AND DEMOCRACY IN NIGERIA AND

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THAT THE CAMBRIDGE CITY COUNCIL FORMALLY WELCOMES HAFSAT TO CAMBRIDGE AND TO THE CITY COUNCIL CHAMBERS AND BE IT FURTEHR RESOLVED THAT

THE CAMBRIDGE CITY COUNCIL AND MAYOR SHEILA RUSSELL SALUTE HAFSAT FOR HER COURAGE, EXTEND THEIR DEEPEST CONDOLENCES FOR THE DEATH OF HER MOTHER AND SUPPORT HER IN HER QUEST TO ACHIEVE THROUGH NON-VIOLENT MEANS THE RESTORATION OF DEMOCRACY TO NIGERIA

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Boen, Davis, Duchay, Galluccio, Sullivan

Consent Order #25

Reeves, Toomey + Triantafyllou
Mayor Russell re: Salute Hafsat Abilola
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quest to achieve thru non-violent means
the restoration of democracy to Nigeria.

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ORDER ADOPTED