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CAMBRIDGE, MASSACHUSETTS

May 22, 1928

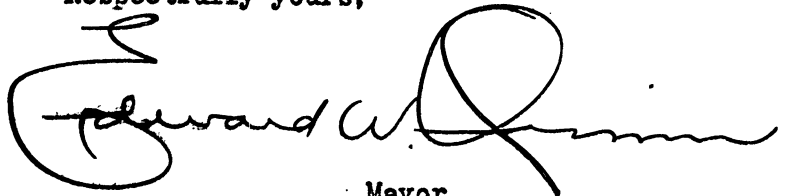
The Honorable, the City Council:

It becomes my sad duty to officially notify you of the death of George G. Wright which occurred at his home in this city on May 20.

Mr. Wright served as a member of the Sinking Fund Commission of this city since 1903, and for a number of years as its chairman, always without thought of compensation for his services. He was an old respected citizen of Cambridge, never losing interest in public affairs. Although Mr. Wright submitted his resignation as a member of the Sinking Fund last month, his successor had never been appointed and at the time of his death, while not active, was still a member of the commission.

I respectfully recommend that your honorable board take such action as may be deemed appropriate, in which action I am ready to join.

Respectfully yours,

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read "Edward A. Quinn". The signature is fluid and cursive, with a large loop at the end.

Mayor.

COMMUNICATION
from the Mayor, transmitting
notice of the death
of George G. Wright.

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Cayman
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MAY 22 1928

In City Council

Referred to Special Committee
Councillors Cayman, Skilton, Cowan,
Sennott and Leahy

Resolved in Council City Clerk



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May 29, 1928.

WHEREAS:

The attention of the City Council has been called by His Honor the Mayor to the passing away of George G. Wright a well known citizen of this city and for the past twenty-five years a member of the Sinking Fund Commission, it is deemed fitting and proper that some recognition should be made of the sad event.

Mr. Wright was born in Cambridge in 1848, was educated in the public schools, graduating from the Cambridge High School in 1867. He entered, shortly after, in the grain business with his father on Mount Auburn Street and remained there until 1902. During recent years, and until his death, he has acted as real estate agent for Harvard College and affiliated organizations. His interest in civic matters dates back almost half a century and covered a large list of varied activities, among which may be mentioned the Civil Service Reform Movement, the Non-Partisan Library Hall Association, the Republican Ward and City Committee, the Longfellow Memorial Association, the National Municipal League and the Citizens' Trade Association. His interest in Harvard Square was unequalled. He served as the first President of the Harvard Square Business Men's Association and again in 1923-24. He was made President Emeritus on April 22, 1925. His only public office was as a member of the Sinking Fund Commission to which he was appointed in 1903 continuing until his resignation shortly before his death.

Few men, indeed, possessed the extensive knowledge of our city, evidenced by many contributions to the press, as did George Wright and this information was eagerly sought by everyone even though they were



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not intimately acquainted with him.

Simple and unostentatious in his habits, strictly upright in his character, charitable in the broadest sense of the word, giving the best that was in him for whatever cause he espoused - such a man was George A. Wright, neighbor of Harvard Square and a true Cambridge. His loss will be deeply felt.

It is therefore

RESOLVED:

That the City Council of Cambridge hereby place upon its records this tribute of respect to one who was a credit to the community in which he lived for four score years.

And it is further

RESOLVED:

That a copy of these resolutions be sent to the family of the deceased.

In City Council

MAY 29 1928

Adopted unanimously by
a rising vote

Frederick A. Bunker City Clerk

Executive Department

JUN 1 1928

Approved

Edward W. [Signature]

City of Cambridge,
MAY 31 1928

Presented to the Mayor
for approval

Frederick H. Davis

City Clerk

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The Special Committee on Resolutions on the Death of
George G. Wright
to which was referred a communication from His Honor the Mayor

Reports,

Recommending the adoption of the
accompanying resolutions.

For the Committee.

Harold G. Skilton

REPORT

Special
Committee on *Resolutions on*
death of George E. Wright

A. Henry W.

May 28, 1928