

WHEREAS: Reverend Dr. Stendahl will be sorely missed by all he touched and loved; now therefore be it

RESOLVED: That this City Council go on record extending its deepest sympathy to the family of Reverend Doctor Krister Stendahl at this time of such personal loss; and be it further

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

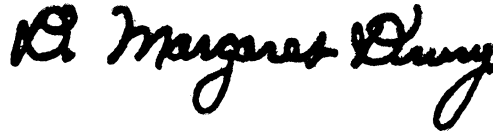
In City Council April 28, 2008.

Adopted by the affirmative vote of nine members.

Attest:- D. Margaret Drury, City Clerk.

A true copy;

ATTEST:-

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

D. Margaret Drury
City Clerk



City of Cambridge

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IN CITY COUNCIL

April 28, 2008

VICE MAYOR MURPHY
COUNCILLOR DAVIS
COUNCILLOR DECKER
COUNCILLOR KELLEY
VICE MAYOR MURPHY
COUNCILLOR REEVES
COUNCILLOR SEIDEL
MAYOR SIMMONS
COUNCILLOR TOOMEY

WHEREAS: This City Council was deeply saddened at learning of the death of the Reverend Doctor Krister Stendahl on April 15, 2008; and

WHEREAS: The Reverend Doctor Stendahl played a crucial role in shaping the life and work of Harvard Divinity School (HDS) where he served as Dean of Faculty from 1968 to 1979; and

WHEREAS: In the broader realm of ecumenical relations, the Reverend Doctor Stendahl was an internationally acclaimed pioneer in ecumenical relations; and

WHEREAS: Krister Stendahl was born in Stockholm, Sweden and educated at Uppsala University; he was ordained in the Church of Sweden (Lutheran) in 1944 and then went on to receive his doctorate at Uppsala University in 1954, the same year that he came to Harvard Divinity School as a professor of New Testament studies; and

WHEREAS: The Reverend Doctor Stendahl served as Bishop of Stockholm from 1984 to 1988 and led a reform effort on issues such as women's ordination and gay and lesbian rights; and

WHEREAS: Over the course of his long and productive academic career, Dr. Stendahl's work addressed many different topics in theology, history, ministry and contemporary issues; throughout his work the themes of the relations between Jew and Christian and the role of women in religious life recurred and reverberated; and

WHEREAS: The Reverend Dr. Stendahl received many important awards, including the first Distinguished Service Medal from the Association of Theological Schools; with Gerhart Riegner, the Ladislaus Laszt International Ecumenical Award from Ben-Gurion University in Israel; and, with his wife Brita, a writer and scholar, the first Myron B. Bloy Memorial Award from the Association of Religion and Intellectual Life; and

WHEREAS: Reverend Dr. Stendahl's passing will leave a void in the lives of all his surviving family, his wife Brita; his sons John and Daniel; his daughter Anna Langenfeld; his eight grandchildren; and his three great-grandchildren; and

RESOLUTION #12

Resolution on the death of
Reverend Doctor Krister Stendahl
**Vice Mayor Murphy and entire
membership**

**In City Council
April 28, 2008**

ORDER ADOPTED