

RESOLVED: That the City Council proclaim October 20-25, 2003 as WORLD POPULATION AWARENESS WEEK and urge all of our citizens to conserve water whenever and wherever they can and further, reflect on ways to ensure adequate safe water supplies for future generations; 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 Population Institute on behalf of the entire City Council.

In City Council September 8, 2003.

Adopted by the affirmative vote of nine members.

Attest:- D. Margaret Drury, City Clerk.

A true copy;

ATTEST:-

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "D. Margaret Drury". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

D. Margaret Drury
City Clerk



City of Cambridge

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IN CITY COUNCIL

September 8, 2003

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

- WHEREAS: Water is vital to the sustainability of life and has no existing substitute; and
- WHEREAS: The world's population of 6.3 billion is projected to increase to nearly 9 billion before leveling off; and
- WHEREAS: The population of the United States exceeds 291 million and it is estimated to increase to 600 million by the year 2100; and
- WHEREAS: A recent study revealed that 58 areas of the United States—from Florida and Georgia to western Texas to northern California and southern Oregon, as well as most of the heartland of the United States—are water stressed; and
- WHEREAS: 1.2 billion people worldwide already lack an adequate safe water supply; and
- WHEREAS: 5-7 million people die annually from water-related diseases, including 2.2 million children under the age of five; and
- WHEREAS: 20 percent of the world's population in 30 countries face water shortages today, a figure expected to rise to 30 percent of the world's population in 50 countries by 2025; and
- WHEREAS: Many water shortages stem from insufficient use, or unsustainable use of underground water in aquifers, which can take thousands of years to replace; and
- WHEREAS: The theme of World Population Awareness Week 2003 is "Water: Our Most Precious Natural Resource"; now therefore be it

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**Mayor Sullivan and entire
membership**

In City Council September 8, 2003

ORDER ADOPTED