



# City of Cambridge

R-17.

## IN CITY COUNCIL

November 5, 2001

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From: MDrury@CI.Cambridge.MA.US (D. Margaret Drury)  
Organization: City of Cambridge, Massachusetts USA  
To: pcrane  
Date sent: Fri, 2 Nov 2001 10:45:05 -0500  
Subject: (Fwd) 2001 Veterans Day City Council's Resolution  
Priority: normal

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----- Forwarded message follows -----

From: RStevens@CI.Cambridge.MA.US (Robert M. Stevens)  
Organization: City of Cambridge, Massachusetts  
To: mdrury  
Date sent: Fri, 2 Nov 2001 10:35:26 -0500  
Subject: 2001 Veterans Day City Council's Resolution  
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Per our conversation, enclosed is a DRAFT copy of this year's Veterans' Day City Council's resolution. Fred Cabral from Councilor Toomey's office will call you on Monday with his approval/revision.

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**Resolution #17**

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**Councillor Toomey and entire membership**

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**ORDER ADOPTED**