



City of Cambridge

49.

IN CITY COUNCIL

December 15, 1997

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

WHEREAS: The Montrose Spa, a small family-owned and operated convenience store and coffee and sandwich shop, has been a fixture at 1646 Massachusetts Avenue for 23 years; and

WHEREAS: Eddy and Cloty Tabit, met as students in Havana in the late 1950's, opposed both Batista and Castro, were separated by Eddy's exile to the United States in 1961 and reunited in 1966; for them, the Montrose has always been more than just a job or a source of income; and

WHEREAS: Three years ago the Tabits faced one of the biggest challenges that confronts small businesses, when the national chain, Starbucks, opened a store next door; and

WHEREAS: The day Starbucks opened, business at the Montrose Spa dropped 50%; and

WHEREAS: Through determination, hard-work, ingenuity and outstanding customer service, the Tabits won back their customers and today the Montrose Spa is enjoying greater profits than before Starbucks opened; now therefore be it

RESOLVED: That the City Council go on record congratulating the Tabits for the efforts and service that have kept the Montrose Spa as a viable store, coffee shop and neighborhood institution; 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 Tabit family on behalf of the entire City Council.

In City Council December 15, 1997.

Adopted by the affirmative vote of nine members.

Attest:- D. Margaret Drury, City Clerk.

A true copy;

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "D. Margaret Drury".

ATTEST:-

D. Margaret Drury
City Clerk

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Whereas: The Montrose Spa, ~~has operated as~~ a small family-owned and operated convenience store and coffee and sandwich shop, has been a fixture at 1646 Massachusetts Avenue ~~since 19~~ for 23 years; and

Whereas: ~~Three years ago the Tabit family faced their biggest challenge~~

For ~~the~~ Eddy and Cloty Tabit, who met as students in Havana in the late 1950's and opposed both Batista and Castro, were separated by Eddy's ~~escape~~ exile to the United States ^{in 1961}, and reunited in 1966, the Montrose was always more than just a job or just their source of income; and

Whereas: Three years ago the Tabits faced ^{one of} the biggest challenges that confronts small businesses, when ~~Starbucks~~ the national chain, Starbucks, opened a store next door; and

Whereas: The day Starbucks opened, business at the Montrose Spa dropped 50%; and

Whereas: ~~Through~~ Through determination, hard work,
ingenuity and outstanding customer service,
the Tabib won back their customers
and today the Montrose Spa is
enjoying ^{greater} profits ~~in excess of~~ ^{than}
before Starbucks opened; now therefore
be it

Resolved: That the G.C. go ^{on record}
congratulating the ^{Tabib and} ~~Montrose~~ Spa
for the efforts and service that have
kept the Montrose Spa as a viable
neighborhood ^{coffee shop and} institution; ~~in the future~~
and be it further

Resolved: SEC to ~~Edith and to~~ the Tabib
family on behalf of the entire G.C.

RESOLVED: That the City Clerk send suitable copies of said resolution to the Secretary of State, Mr. and Mrs. Mark and Rhoda Berenson and Lori Berenson, Yanamayo Prison, Puno, Peru.



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R-1557

Consent Order #49

Councillor Triantafillou re:
Congratulations to Eddy and
Cloty Tabit for the efforts
and service that have kept the
Montrose Spa as a viable store,
coffee shop and neighborhood
institution.

In City Council December 16, 1997

ORDER ADOPTED

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