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RESOLUTION TO RECOGNIZE THE QUALITY OF PHILLIPS BROOKS HOUSE ASSOCIATION, INC. PROGRAMMING IN CAMBRIDGE AND TO SUPPORT PBHA'S MOVE TOWARD GREATER AUTONOMY

Whereas the Phillips Brooks House Association Incorporated is a student-run corporation dedicated to empowering disadvantaged populations and providing meaningful undergraduate experience through public service and social action in Cambridge and the Greater Boston area;

Whereas PBHA Inc. is currently being supported by a staff employed by Harvard Corporation of Cambridge and reporting to the Dean of Harvard College;

Whereas PBHA Inc. is unable to fully pursue its mission statement with support staff legally responsible to a separate corporation that has historically been more interested in controlling the cost and scope of programming than preserving and improving the quality of PBHA Inc. programming in Cambridge;

Whereas the quality of PBHA Inc. programming in Cambridge is threatened with support staff hired, fired, and controlled by a corporation with insufficient human service knowledge and expertise;

Whereas the integrity of PBHA Inc. programming in Cambridge is jeopardized with support staff inevitably finding themselves in conflicts of interest between the demands of PBHA Inc. and Harvard Corporation;

Whereas the structural dysfunction of having two corporate interests involved in the PBH operation has surfaced in numerous occasions over the past decade in regards to conflicts over resource allocation, programmatic intent, programmatic practice, and bureaucratic oversight;

Whereas Harvard Corporation's recent hiring of the Assistant Dean of Public Service / Director of Phillips Brooks House has clearly revealed the inherent conflict between the needs of the PBHA Inc. public service community and the needs of Harvard Corporation;

Whereas PBHA Inc. will be able to better serve the children and people of Cambridge under a more rational, autonomous, and unified operational configuration;

BE IT RESOLVED,

the Cambridge City Council recognizes the quality and importance of PBHA Inc. programming in Cambridge schools and communities, and supports and celebrates PBHA Inc.'s move toward a more rational, autonomous, and unified operational configuration where its student-run public service and social action programs will be supported by a staff employed by PBHA Inc.

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IN CITY COUNCIL

November 20, 1995

COUNCILLOR DUEHAY

- WHEREAS: The Phillips Brook House Association Incorporated is a student-run corporation dedicated to empowering disadvantaged populations and providing meaningful undergraduate experience through public service and social action in Cambridge and the Greater Boston area; and
- WHEREAS: PBHA, Inc. is currently being supported by a staff employed by Harvard Corporation of Cambridge and reporting to the Dean of Harvard College; and
- WHEREAS: PBHA, Inc. is unable to fully pursue its mission statement with support staff legally responsible to a separate corporation that has historically been more interested in controlling the cost and scope of programming than preserving and improving the quality of PBHA, Inc. programming in Cambridge; and
- WHEREAS: The quality of PBHA, Inc. programming in Cambridge is threatened with support staff hired, fired and controlled by a corporation with insufficient human service knowledge and expertise; and
- WHEREAS: The integrity of PBHA, Inc. programming in Cambridge is jeopardized with support staff inevitably finding themselves in conflicts of interest between the demands of PBHA, Inc. and Harvard Corporation; and
- WHEREAS: The structural dysfunction of having two corporate interests involved in PBH operation has surfaced in numerous occasions over the past decade in regards to conflicts over resource allocation, programmatic intent, programmatic practice, and bureaucratic oversight; and
- WHEREAS: Harvard Corporation's recent hiring of the Assistant Dean of Public Service/Director of Phillips Brooks House has clearly revealed the inherent conflict between the needs of the PBHA, Inc. public service community and the needs of Harvard Corporation; and

WHEREAS: PBHA, Inc. will be able to better serve the children and people of Cambridge under a more rational, autonomous, and unified operational configuration; now therefore be it

RESOLVED: That the Cambridge City Council recognizes the quality and importance of PBHA, Inc. programming in Cambridge schools and communities, and supports and celebrates PBHA, Inc.'s move toward a more rational, autonomous, and unified operational configuration where its student-run public service and social action programs will be supported by a staff employed by PBHA, Inc.

In City Council November 20, 1995

Adopted by the affirmative vote of six members.

Attest:- D. Margaret Drury, City Clerk.

A true copy;

ATTEST:- *D. Margaret Drury*

D. Margaret Drury
City Clerk

MAYOR REEVES RECORDED AS ABSTAINING.

Consent Order #14

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Councillor Duehay re: Resolution
to recognize the quality of Phillips
Brooks House Association, Inc. Pro-
gramming in Cambridge and to support
PBHA's move toward greater autonomy.

In City Council November 20, 1995

Order Adopted