



City of Cambridge

R-91.

IN CITY COUNCIL

May 21, 2007

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

WHEREAS: May 27, 2007 is the 100th birthday of the renowned biologist and nature writer Rachel Carson; and

WHEREAS: In her numerous writings, including *Silent Spring*, Rachel Carson stressed the web of life and connected our attitudes to nature, and often our actions, to harmful practices toward the environment;

WHEREAS: In the midst of adversity and strong opposition from industry and corporate interests Rachel Carson called attention to our responsibility towards the environment, and as a biologist she insisted on the importance of educating the public about the dangers of contamination by toxic substances; and

WHEREAS: Rachel Carson's work has influenced public policy about the environment all over the world and since her publications, research has increasingly shown the links of contamination of water, air, and soil to disease and illness; and

WHEREAS: The City of Cambridge has committed itself to energy conservation, realizing that climate change and global warming constitute a serious threat to the wellbeing and the future of our planet, and in so doing has taken seriously Rachel Carson's warnings about our responsibilities; now therefore be it

RESOLVED: That the City Council declare May 27 as annual Rachel Carson Day in Cambridge.

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Adopted by the affirmative vote of nine members.

Attest:- D. Margaret Drury, City Clerk.

A true copy;

ATTEST:-

A handwritten signature in cursive script, reading "D. Margaret Drury".

D. Margaret Drury, City Clerk

RESOLUTION #91

**Declare May 27 as annual Rachel
Carson Day in Cambridge
Councillor Davis, Councillor
Sullivan and entire membership**

**In City Council
May 21, 2007**

ORDER ADOPTED