



City of Cambridge

Calendar Item # 23

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IN CITY COUNCIL

~~October 18, 1993~~

October 25, 1993

MAYOR REEVES
COUNCILLOR DUEHAY
COUNCILLOR RUSSELL
COUNCILLOR TOOMEY
COUNCILLOR WALSH

WHEREAS: Hospice Care, Inc. has provided a special kind of caring to terminally ill patients and their families in 23 communities northwest of Boston since 1981; and

WHEREAS: Hospice care has been demonstrated to be a humanitarian way for the terminally ill patients to approach the end of their lives in relative comfort with the appropriate, competent and compassionate care in an environment of personal individuality and dignity; and

WHEREAS: The Hospice concept advocates care of the patient and family by attending to their physical, emotional and spiritual needs; and

WHEREAS: Hospice care is providing an effective and economical alternative to unnecessary institutionalization for many terminally ill patients; and

WHEREAS: Hospice care is rapidly becoming a full partner in the nation's health care delivery system;

WHEREAS: The enactment of a Hospice benefit under Medicare, which became effective November 1, 1987, makes it possible for many more elderly Americans to have the opportunity to elect to receive Hospice care; and

WHEREAS: There remains a great need to increase public awareness of the benefits of Hospice care; now therefore be it

RESOLVED: That this Cambridge City Council does hereby recognize November 1993 as NATIONAL HOSPICE MONTH and calls on all city agencies, the medical community, appropriate private organizations, and the citizens of the City of Cambridge to observe this month with appropriate forums, programs and activities designed to encourage citywide recognition of and support for Hospice care as a humane response to the needs of the terminally ill and as a viable component of the health care delivery system in this City.

In City Council October 25, 1993.

Adopted by a yeas and nays vote:-

Yeas 9; Nays 0; Absent 0.

Attest:- D. Margaret Drury, City Clerk.

A true copy;

ATTEST:-

D. Margaret Drury

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CHARTER RIGHT WAS EXERCISED BY COUNCILLOR WALSH



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25% COTTON

Suebay, Russell, Looney, Walsh

Consent Order #2

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Mayor Reeves re: Recognizing
November, 1993 as National Hospice
Month.

In City Council,

October 18, 1993

*Charter right exer-
cised by Council. Walsh
10/25/93 Order adopted
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