



City of Cambridge

R-45.

IN CITY COUNCIL

April 14, 2008

COUNCILLOR SEIDEL
COUNCILLOR DAVIS
COUNCILLOR DECKER
COUNCILLOR KELLEY
COUNCILLOR MAHER
VICE MAYOR MURPHY
COUNCILLOR REEVES
MAYOR SIMMONS
COUNCILLOR TOOMEY

WHEREAS: Poetry is one of the oldest art forms known to humankind; and

WHEREAS: Cambridge has been home to many illustrious poets over the course of its centuries including, to name a few, Anne Bradstreet, Robert Lowell, Frank O'Hara, Oliver Wendell Holmes Sr., Conrad Aiken, John Ashbery, E. E. Cummings, T. S. Eliot, Frederick Seidel, Robert Frost, Louise Glück, Maxine Kumin, Henry Wadsworth Longfellow, Marianne Moore, Robert Pinsky, Elizabeth Bishop; and

WHEREAS: April is National Poetry Month; and

WHEREAS: Cambridge has duly recognized the importance of poetry by inaugurating its first Poet Populist, Peter Payack, in November 2007; now therefore be it

RESOLVED: That the Cambridge City Council honors Cambridge's many poets, present and past, and joins them in celebrating National Poetry Month; and be it further

RESOLVED: That the Cambridge City Council salutes the work of the many organizations throughout the city who celebrate poetry, and specifically the Cambridge Public Libraries for sponsoring poetry events this month including poetry readings and a contest for K through 8 students of the Cambridge Public Schools; and be it further

RESOLVED: That the City Clerk be and hereby is requested to forward a suitably engrossed copy of this resolution Peter Payack, Cambridge's Poet Populist, the Cambridge Public Libraries, and with the American Academy of Poets on behalf of the entire City Council.

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Adopted by the affirmative vote of nine members.

Attest:- D. Margaret Drury, City Clerk.

A true copy;

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "D. Margaret Drury".

ATTEST:-

D. Margaret Drury
City Clerk

RESOLUTION #45

Honor the many Cambridge poets
as we celebrate April as National
Poetry Month

**Councillor Seidel and entire
membership**

**In City Council
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ORDER ADOPTED