



# City of Cambridge

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IN CITY COUNCIL

March 6, 2000

COUNCILLOR REEVES  
COUNCILLOR BORN  
COUNCILLOR BRAUDE  
COUNCILLOR DAVIS  
COUNCILLOR DECKER  
MAYOR GALLUCCIO  
VICE MAYOR MAHER  
COUNCILLOR SULLIVAN  
COUNCILLOR TOOMEY

WHEREAS: We gather today family, friends and elected officials to dedicate this corner as the Artis and Andrew Spears Square. This May 21<sup>st</sup>, 2000 provides us with a special opportunity to honor two of our City's finest citizens. This day is also a good point between Artis's birthday of May 12<sup>th</sup> and A.J.'s birthday May 26<sup>th</sup>; and

WHEREAS: We dedicate this corner today in the names of two people who by their exemplary lives are certainly well deserved of this honor. Their lives have been used in service to God, family and community; and

WHEREAS: Artis and A.J. Spears are active in the lives of members of this community in comforting those who in their hour of sadness and grief require the services of the A.J. Spears Funeral Home. The Spears are exemplary in their sincere comfort and their service. For over thirty-five years they have given their best to the citizens of Cambridge and cities beyond; and

WHEREAS: In February 2000, in celebration of Black History Month the Cambridge City Council recognized Artis and Andrew J. Spears as the owners of a very successful and community oriented African American owned business; now therefore be it

RESOLVED: That Sunday, May 21, 2000 shall be Artis and Andrew J. Spears Day in Cambridge and that the entire Cambridge City Council wishes the entire Spears family well as the **SPEARS SQUARE** is named for them in acknowledgement of their many efforts on behalf of Cambridge citizens. The new millennium requires that they be honored in this way.

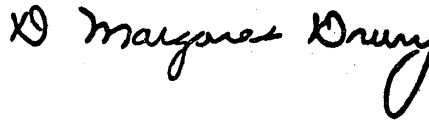
In City Council March 6, 2000.

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". The signature is written in dark ink and is positioned to the right of the printed name.

D. Margaret Drury  
City Clerk

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07 Dedication of the  
Artes and A.J. Spears Square -  
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and elected officials to dedicate this  
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been ~~of~~ used in service ~~to~~<sup>to</sup> God, family and Community.

Whereas: Artis and A. J. Spears are active in the lines of Members of this Community, in comforting those who in their hour of sadness and grief require the services of the A. J. Spears Funeral Home. The Spears are exemplary in their sincere comfort and their service. For over 25 years they have given their best to the Citizens of Cambridge and cities beyond.

Whereas: In February 2000, in Celebration of Black History month the Cambridge City Council recognized Artis and Andrew J. Spears

as the owners of a very successful  
and community oriented African  
American owned business.

Resolved: That Sunday, May 21,  
2000 shall be Artis and Andrew  
J. Spears Day in Cambridge and  
that the future Cambridge City  
Council wishes the entire Spears  
Family well as ~~this~~ &  
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WHEREAS: As Black History Month 2000 comes to a close it is appropriate that the City of Cambridge recognize its most prominent African American Businessman, Andrew Jackson Spears; and

WHEREAS: A. J. Spears and Artis Spears are the owners of the family-run A. J. Spears Funeral Home on Western Avenue, and have successfully led the business for more than 30 years; and

WHEREAS: A. J. and Artis Spears have faithfully served Cambridge families in their most difficult moments; and

WHEREAS: A. J. and Artis Spears have distinguished themselves as a progressive business leaders and distinguished Cambridge citizens; now therefore be it

RESOLVED: That the Cambridge City Council directs that a square be named in honor of A. J. and Artis Spears at the intersection of Western Avenue and Pleasant Street and that a suitable dedication date be chosen to honor A. J. Spears, Cambridge African American Business Leader and the Assistant to the City Council arrange with the family the dedication and arrange for the erection of a sign after consultation with the family and the Public Works Department.

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City Clerk

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PREPARED BY \_\_\_\_\_  
DATE \_\_\_\_\_

Dedication of A.J.  
Spear's Square -

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As Black History Month  
2000 comes to a close it  
is appropriate that the city of  
Cambridge  
recognize its most prominent  
African American Business -  
man, Andrew Jackson Spear

Whereas:  
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of the family run A.J. Spear  
Funeral Home on Western  
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than 25 years and;

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### COUNCILLOR REEVES

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Street.

**Councillor Reeves**

In City Council March 6, 2000

**ORDER ADOPTED**