



City of Cambridge

13.

IN CITY COUNCIL

April 7, 1997

COUNCILLOR REEVES
VICE MAYOR BORN
COUNCILLOR DUEHAY
COUNCILLOR GALLUCCIO
MAYOR RUSSELL
COUNCILLOR SULLIVAN
COUNCILLOR TOOMEY
COUNCILLOR TRIANTAFILLOU

WHEREAS: **Mattie L. Simmons** arrived here in Cambridge in 1949 and resided on Sidney Street and there began her family; and

WHEREAS: **Mattie L. Simmons** is a Cantabrigian who has given much through her work for Cambridge Community Schools and other community programs; and

WHEREAS: We know of no gentler citizen whose intelligence and grace define her so appropriately; and

WHEREAS: We thank her for her contributions (including E. Denise) to our City's leadership; now therefore be it

RESOLVED: That this City Council go on record wishing **Mattie L. Simmons** a very happy birthday and hope she will enjoy health and prosperity in the many years of her life to come.

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Adopted by the affirmative vote of nine members.

Attest:- D. Margaret Drury, City Clerk.

A true copy;

D. Margaret Drury

ATTEST:-

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City Clerk

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Reverend

Happy 75th
Birthday to Matthe
L. Simmons, mother
of School Committee
Vice Chair, Denise Simmons.

Whereas: Matthe L. Simmons
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Longfellow School; approximately half their students are Cambridge residents. Centro Presente offers a total of 9 tuition-based classes. Students are not required to live in Cambridge. Both Harvard Extension School and the Cambridge Center for Adult Education have large fee-based ESL programs which tend to serve more highly educated students.

Citizenship programs are offered in Cambridge through Centro Presente, Concilio Hispano, the Haitian Multi-Service Center, and the Ethiopian Mutual Assistance Association. There are also several programs in Boston that Cambridge residents can attend, e.g. at the International Institute. When contacted recently, representatives of all citizenship programs in the area indicated that the need was greater than their ability to provide services, particularly for students whose spoken or written English language skills are very limited. It should be noted, though that not everyone in need of citizenship services also needs ESL. The CLC serves students who are English-speaking from the West Indies and others who have acquired a command of English over the years but who need help passing the citizenship test and filling out the forms.

In response to the inquiry regarding gaps in services, there are generally 200-300 people each month on waiting lists for classes at the Community Learning Center. Demand is greatest for evening classes.

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Consent Order #13
Sullivan, Dooney + Tranter
R-490

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