



City of Cambridge

R-16.

IN CITY COUNCIL

September 20, 2004

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

- WHEREAS: On September 30, 2004 the Cambridge YWCA will hold its 17th Annual Tribute to Outstanding Women; and
- WHEREAS: At this gala luncheon, the YWCA will celebrate the achievements of ten outstanding women; and
- WHEREAS: Author and scholar Patricia Powell will receive a 2004 YWCA Outstanding Woman Award; and
- WHEREAS: Patricia is the author of three Jamaica-based novels – “Me Dying Trial,” “A Small Gathering of Bones,” and “The Pagoda” – with a fourth in progress; and
- WHEREAS: Patricia focuses on “the injustices we heap onto other people because of difference – race, class, gender, sexual identity, cultural identity; and
- WHEREAS: Patricia was born in Jamaica, West Indies and moved here in 1982. The first female black student from Boston’s Jeremiah E. Burke High School to attend an Ivy League college (Wellesley), she went on for an M.A. at Brown and to teach creative writing at Harvard. Currently she is an M.I.T. Martin Luther King, Jr. Visiting Scholar; and
- WHEREAS: Patricia believes in giving back to places she credits as mentors, by mentoring students at U. Mass. Urban Scholars program and at Jeremiah E. Burke; now therefore be it
- RESOLVED: That the City Council go on record congratulating Patricia Powell on being recognized by the Cambridge YWCA as a 2004 Outstanding Woman; and be it further
- RESOLVED: That the City Clerk be and hereby is requested to forward a suitably engrossed copy of this resolution to Patricia Powell 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;
ATTEST:-

D. Margaret Drury
City Clerk

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

RESOLUTION #16

Congratulations to Patricia Powell
on being recognized by the
Cambridge YWCA as a 2004
Outstanding Woman at its 17th
Annual Tribute to Outstanding
Women on September 30, 2004.
**Councillor Simmons and entire
membership**

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ORDER ADOPTED