



City of Cambridge

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IN CITY COUNCIL

April 12, 1999

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

WHEREAS: It has come to the attention of the City Council that Archie Epps III, Harvard's first African American administrator, is stepping down as Dean of Students for Harvard College after twenty-eight years in this position; and

WHEREAS: Archie Epps grew up in Lake Charles, Louisiana, graduated from Talladega College with a philosophy and psychology major and entered Harvard Divinity School in 1958; and

WHEREAS: In 1963, he became an assistant dean, and in 1970 he was appointed Dean of Students; and

WHEREAS: In 1980, Dean Epps published a study concluding that minority students were "separatist in orientation" and "isolated from the mainstream;" thereupon President Bok issued a pronouncement endorsing a new foundation committed to diversity and a recommitment to affirmative action; and

WHEREAS: When Archie Epps arrived at Harvard Divinity School, Harvard College had only thirty black students and no black faculty members, over the years Dean Epps has played a key role in the development of policies that have led to a college with a student body that is thirty-four percent minority, with minority representation in the faculty administrative staff of close to twenty percent and an Afro-American Studies Department that, according to the Boston Globe, is "one of Harvard's academic crown jewels;" and

WHEREAS: Among Dean Epps many achievements are his having presided over a threefold growth in undergraduate organizations; helping to establish the Harvard Mediation Service, which assists in racial conflict resolution; and actively participating in Harvard's ongoing conversation about race and diversity; now therefore be it

RESOLVED: That the City Council go on record congratulating Dean Archie Epps on his many accomplishments during his distinguished tenure as Dean of Students for Harvard College and wishing him many more years of fulfillment and happiness as he steps down from this position; and be it further

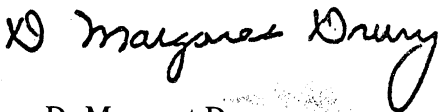
RESOLVED: That the City Clerk be and hereby is requested to forward a suitably engrossed copy of this resolution to Dean Archie Epps on behalf of the entire City Council.

In City Council April 12, 1999.

Adopted by the affirmative vote of eight members.

Attest:- D. Margaret Drury, City Clerk.

A true copy;

ATTEST:- 

D. Margaret Drury
City Clerk

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III, Harvard's first African American administrator

W/A It is time to the attention of the City Council that Archie Epps is stepping down as Dean of Students of Harvard College after 29 years in this position; and

W/A Archie Epps grew up in Lake Charles, Louisiana, graduated from Talladega College ^{with} a philosophy and psychology major and entered Harvard Divinity School in ~~[the late 1950's]~~ 1958; and

W/A In 1963, he became an assistant dean, and in 1970 he was appointed Dean of Students; and

W/A In 1980, Dean Epps published a study concluding that minority students were "separatist in orientation" and "isolated from the mainstream"; ^{meanwhile} President Bok issued a pronouncement endorsing a new paradigm committed to diversity and a recommitment to affirmative action; ^{and} ~~today~~ ^{W/A} When Archie Epps ~~entered~~ arrived

W/A at Harvard Divinity School, ~~the~~ Harvard College had only 30 black students and no black faculty members; over the years Dean Epps has played a key role in the development of policies that have led to a college ~~which~~ is with a student body that is 34 percent minority, with minority representation of on the faculty and administrative staff of close to 20 percent and an Afro-American Studies Department that, according to

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W/A

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Resolved: SE

DATE: 4-6-99

TIME: 11:13

COUNCILLOR: Sullivan

BIRTHDAY: _____

BIRTH: _____

DEATH: _____

MARRIAGE: _____

ANNIVERSARY: _____

BACKGROUND IN Globe NEWSPAPER

NAME: Archie Epps

On his retirement

Message taken by: DORIS MURPHY

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Consent Order #10

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Councillors Sullivan and Reeves re:
resolution on Archie Epps, III stepping down
as Dean of Students for Harvard College.

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ORDER ADOPTED