

RESOLVED:

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City Council
Al Velasco
6/29/81

Late Order



City of Cambridge

IN CITY COUNCIL

June 29, 1981

COUNCILLOR VELLUCCI

- WHEREAS: It is reported in the Boston Press that the DuPont Company of Willmington, Delaware is giving Harvard Medical School six million dollars to support research in genetics, with the proviso that the company be given exclusive licenses to market any patentable product or process that results; and
- WHEREAS: The big drug and chemical companies are aligning themselves with leading genetic research laboratories in their belief that new biotechnologies will pay off large profits in marketable products; and
- WHEREAS: Mr. Donald Frederrickson, Director of the National Institute of Health (NIH) is sharing growing concerns about the massive industrial support of academic research, and his question is: Are we turning university labs into industrial labs and that is a good question; and
- WHEREAS: It seems that the major drug and chemical companies throughout the world are excited about the "gene-splicing" that's taking place in Harvard and Massachusetts Institute of Technology Laboratories; and
- WHEREAS: The DNA gold rush is on and Cambridge is the focal point for DNA experimentation and money by the millions is pouring into the Massachusetts General Hospital, Harvard Medical School, Harvard and Massachusetts Institute of Technology bio-labs and other public and private institutions; and
- WHEREAS: Here in Cambridge the "gene splicers" are at work while in Wall Street the "money changers" are at work; and
- WHEREAS: The new ties between academia and industry may turn out to be one of the biggest scientific mafias the world has ever known; and
- WHEREAS: The NIH Advisory Committee has raised the following questions:
1. Whether industry is skimming the cream from discoveries made possible through NIH or other granting agencies?

2. How does one behave with money when we are not talking about things that are wrong and need a code of etiquette?
3. Will we see ourselves as Dr. Faustus with all sorts of evil things surrounding us?

WHEREAS: The battle of "gene-splicing" is on and the battle of DNA control is on and the scientists are turning into alot of "Al Capones" and they have gone money mad; and

WHEREAS: I predicted all this would happen back in 1976 when I first made the DNA research public; and

WHEREAS: If DNA can go public in Wall Street why can't DNA go public in the Cambridge and Boston City Council?

WHEREAS: What is the City of Cambridge, Boston, Waltham, Somerville and other cities going to get out of all this ---trouble or another DNA caterpillar - gypsy moth disaster; and

WHEREAS: While Harvard and Massachusetts Institute of Technology gets richer by the minute our cities are getting poorer; therefore be it

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Order attached
on Vice Vote



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Adopted by the affirmative vote of 8 members.

Attest:- Paul E. Healy, City Clerk.

A true copy;

ATTEST:-

A handwritten signature in cursive script, reading "Paul E. Healy", written over the "ATTEST:-" text.

Order # 10

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C. Vellucci re: universities to be sued
if private research re: DNA is discovered.

In City Council,

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