



City of Cambridge

R-115.

IN CITY COUNCIL

April 9, 2007

MAYOR REEVES
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 COUNCILLOR DECKER
 COUNCILLOR GALLUCCIO
 COUNCILLOR KELLEY
 COUNCILLOR MURPHY
 COUNCILLOR SIMMONS
 COUNCILLOR SULLIVAN
 VICE MAYOR TOOMEY

- WHEREAS: It is difficult but very important to get information about the situation in Iraq today; and
- WHEREAS: There are reports about the extreme situation facing the civilian population under war and occupation and there is also information about the challenges facing women with the rise of fundamentalism and the US occupation; and
- WHEREAS: Iraqi Nadge Al-Ali, a senior lecturer in social anthropology at the Institute of Arab & Islamic Studies at the University of Exeter, UK. is the author of *Iraqi Women; Untold Stories from 1948 to the Present* and
- WHEREAS: The book tells hitherto untold stories of Iraqi women from 1948 to the present day based on life stories and oral histories gathered in interviews with about 200 Iraqi women of different generations, ethnic and religious backgrounds. While focusing on women's experiences, the book tackles general issues related to political repression under Saddam Hussein, sectarianism, wars, sanctions and occupation and
- WHEREAS: Nadge Al-Ali will be coming to Cambridge to speak about "Iraqi Women between Dictatorships, War, Sanctions and Occupation", Sunday, April 15, 3-5 PM at MIT Building E51-095, 2 Amherst St. (between Main and Memorial Drive. 2 short blocks from Kendall T); and
- WHEREAS: The event is sponsored by the Cambridge Peace Commission, Cambridge Women's Commission, Center for New Words and Women's Studies at MIT now therefore be it
- RESOLVED: That Cambridge City Council welcomes Nadge Al-Ali to Cambridge and encourages Cambridge residents to attend Ms. Al-Ali's presentation.

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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

RESOLUTION #115

Welcome to Nadjé Al-Ali as she comes to Cambridge to speak about "Iraqi Women between Dictatorships, War, Sanctions and Occupation" on Sunday, April 15, 2007 from 3:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m. at MIT.

Mayor Reeves and entire membership

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ORDER ADOPTED