



City of Cambridge

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IN CITY COUNCIL

May 8, 2000

COUNCILLOR TOOMEY
COUNCILLOR SULLIVAN
COUNCILLOR BORN
COUNCILLOR BRAUDE
COUNCILLOR DAVIS
COUNCILLOR DECKER
MAYOR GALLUCCIO
VICE MAYOR MAHER
COUNCILLOR REEVES

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- WHEREAS:** Those men who won that day in 1894 are being honored in 2000. Riverside Boat Club is dedicating their new eight oared shell to their first National Champions. Their names were Ludlow Berkeley, Hugh J. Finnegan, M.A. Sullivan, William Hagen, Fred Hynes, William Parrock, Thomas F. Frawley and Joseph Hobbs. The coxswain was Parrick Anglan and their coach was P.J. Donovan. There were three alternates as well, Al Shay, P. Doyle and J. Culhane; and
- WHEREAS:** The Riverside Boat Club of today is a very different place. They relocated closer to Magazine Beach after the fire of 1912. They were the first on the River to open their doors to women and now nearly half of their 250 members are female. They also opened their doors to Brookline High School and Simmons College crews; and
- WHEREAS:** Most clubs name boats after the person that bought it for them, but Riverside is not that kind of club; Riverside wants to keep its history alive and honor its founding champions; now therefore be it
- RESOLVED:** That the City Council go on record extending its congratulations to the Riverside Boat Club on their boat dedication ceremony to take place on May 14, 2000, after the Riverside Sprints, one of two regattas that the club hosts; and be it further
- RESOLVED:** That the City Clerk be and hereby is requested to forward a suitably engrossed copy of this resolution to the Riverside Boat Club on behalf of the entire City Council.

In City Council May 8, 2000.
Adopted by the affirmative vote of nine members.
Attest:- D. Margaret Drury, City Clerk.

A true copy;

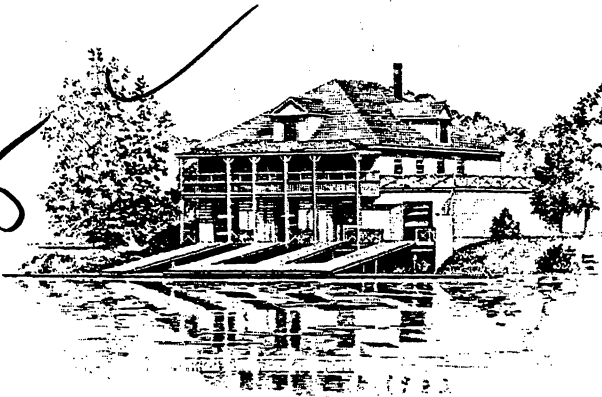
ATTEST:-

D. Margaret Drury
City Clerk

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Riverside Boat Club

Rowing since 1869

For Immediate Release
May 1, 2000

Contact: 492-1869

DO YOU KNOW WHERE YOUR GREAT-GRANDFATHER WAS ON AUGUST 8, 1894?

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"We have a picture of that 1894 crew and we managed to track down their names from news archives, but all of our records burned with our boathouse in 1912," said the club's President, Savas Gunduz. "We're hoping that they still have family in the area and they can join us for the dedication. This is a great bit of history, for us and for Cambridge."

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④ "Most clubs name boats after the person that bought it for them, but Riverside is not," Gunduz explained, "we're not that kind of club; Many of our members are full time athletes trying to make the National Team. The rest have far more dedication than dollars. When we name a boat for someone, it is because they have given a remarkable amount of time and effort to the running of the Club or have represented the Club on the national team racing internationally. Last year, we had 2 members racing at the World Championships, and two others medaled at the Pan-Am Games. This crew from 1894 helped to set the goals that we still have today. We want to keep our history alive and have no Riverside its family champions! These are the things that are important to us."

The Boat Dedication will be held May 14th at 4:15pm following the Riverside Sprints, one of 2 regattas that the club hosts. All are welcome to attend the races and the boat dedication. If anyone believes that they are a relative of anyone in that 1894 National Champion crew, they are urged to call the boathouse at 492-1869.

Counsellor Torney
Counsellor Sullivan

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Resolved That the C.C. go on record extending its congratulations to the Riverside Boat Club ~~Spunk~~ Regatta on their boat dedication ceremony to take place on May 14th, after the Riverside Spunk, one of two regattas that the club hosts; and be it further

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Riverside Boat Club

Rowing since 1869

Cancel Sullivan

May 1, 2000

Michael A. Sullivan
28 Putnam Ave.
Cambridge, MA 02139

Dear Councilor Sullivan:

On May 14, 2000, Riverside Boat Club will host its annual Riverside Sprints Regatta, followed by our boat dedication and a Bar-b-que. On behalf of our membership, we would be honored if you could attend any part of the day's festivities. Though we have 131 years of tradition behind us, we tend to be an informal crowd. Feel free to dress casually.

Riverside Boat Club, 769 Memorial Drive, Cambridge

Sunday, May 14th

Riverside Sprints Regatta - 8:00am to 4:00pm

Boat Dedication - 4:00pm to 4:30pm

Bar-b-que - 4:30pm

Enclosed you will find a press release giving details on the club and one of the boats to be dedicated. If you need more information, please do not hesitate to contact Kate at work at 635-4376. We look forward to seeing you at the event.

Sincerely,

Savas Gunduz
President

Kate Sullivan
Vice President



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Congratulations to the Riverside
Boat Club, 769 Memorial Drive on
their boat dedication ceremony on
May 14, 2000 at 4:00 PM.

**Councillor Toomey, Sullivan and
entire membership**

In City Council May 8, 2000

ORDER ADOPTED