



City of Cambridge

27.

COUNCILLOR CLINTON
COUNCILLOR DANEHY

IN CITY COUNCIL

April 30, 1984

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- WHEREAS: John, who looked sixty and worked like a fifty year old, worked as a busboy at Cardell's Restaurant in Harvard Square, the Phoenix in writing a story about him, called John the "oldest known living busboy"; and
- WHEREAS: John who always believed that working kept you alive and healthy, trudged to work everyday during the blizzard of 1978 and even during an MBTA strike a few years ago, he walked 3½ miles to work, his fellow employees (who had driven to work) were sure he would come, and waited to applaud when he arrived; now therefore be it
- RESOLVED: That this City Council go on record extending its deepest sympathy to Mrs. Panayeota Sarantakas and to the entire Sarantakas family at this time of such personal loss; and be it further
- RESOLVED: That the City Clerk be and hereby is requested to forward a suitably engrossed copy of this resolution to Mrs. Sarantakas on behalf of the entire City Council.

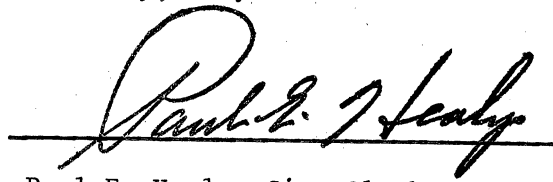
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Adopted by the affirmative vote of 7 members.

Attest:- Paul E. Healy, City Clerk.

A true copy;

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Order #27

S-280

C. Clinton & C. Danehy re: resolutions on
the death of John A. Sarantakas.

In City Council,

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C. Clinton

C. Danehy

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