



City of Cambridge

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IN CITY COUNCIL

May 4, 1998

COUNCILLOR TRIANTAFILLOU

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- WHEREAS: MLGBA will celebrate its thirteenth anniversary this year at a dinner on Friday, May 8, 1998, to be held at the Royal Sonesta in Cambridge; and
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WHEREAS: The City of Cambridge is home to many lesbian and gay attorneys active in every aspect of the rich life of our community and recognizes and appreciates their contributions to our City; now therefore be it

RESOLVED: That this Cambridge City Council extends its best wishes for the continued success of the Massachusetts Lesbian and Gay Bar Association and to its honorees at this, its Thirteenth Annual Dinner; and be it further

RESOLVED: That the City Clerk be and hereby is requested to prepare a suitably engrossed copy of this resolution for presentation to Massachusetts Lesbian and Gay Bar Association on the occasion of its thirteenth anniversary on behalf of the entire City Council.

In City Council May 4, 1998.

Adopted by the affirmative vote of nine members.

Attest:- D. Margaret Drury, City Clerk.

A true copy;

ATTEST:-

A handwritten signature in black ink, reading "D. Margaret Drury". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

D. Margaret Drury
City Clerk

Councilor Katherine Triantafillou

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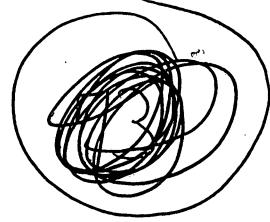
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IN CITY COUNCIL
March 31, 1997

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

WHEREAS: It has come to the attention of this City Council that the **Massachusetts Lesbian and Gay Bar Association (MLGBA)** will hold its ~~Twelfth~~ ^{13th} Annual Dinner on ~~Thursday~~ ^{FRIDAY}, May 8, 1997 at the Royal Sonesta; and

WHEREAS: The keynote address will be presented by ~~Evan Wolfson, Esquire~~ ^{Hon. Nancy Gerber}, senior staff attorney at the Lambda Legal Defense and Education Fund, Inc.; Evan has dealt with a board range of sexual orientation and AIDS/HIV legal and policy issues; he has championed military personnel fighting for the right to serve their country, New York City employees demanding equal health benefits for their partners, a gay Eagle scout challenging his expulsion from the Boy Scouts and gay parents wishing to adopt children and preserve visitation rights. As Director of Lambda's Marriage Project, Evan is currently co-counsel for the three lesbian and gay couples seeking the right to marry in Hawaii's landmark case, Baehr vs. Miike. Evan was selected as *Bay Window's* 2006 Person of the Year.

WHEREAS: ~~John Ward, Esquire~~ ^{BENNETT KLEIN}, founder of the Gay and Lesbian Advocates and Defenders, (GLAD) will receive the MLGBA Public Service Award for his distinguished public service which has included twenty years of significant litigation in defense of the civil and human rights of gay and lesbian individuals, from the early GLAD case of Fricke vs. Lynch, establishing a high school student's right to attend his prom with a same sex date, to the 1995 GLIB case in which John, representing the Gay and Lesbian Irish of Boston group in the St. Patrick's Day Parade case, became the first openly gay attorney to argue a case in the U.S. Supreme Court; John divides his time between Boston and California, where he writes primarily on death penalty appeals; and

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WHEREAS: ~~Sandra Lundy, Esquire, will be presented with the MBA Community Service Award, for her impressive and untiring work on behalf of the New England lesbian and gay community; Sandy has devoted a great deal of her legal career to assisting victims of domestic violence and to educating law enforcement officials and the public about partner abuse, particularly between same sex couples. Sandy served on the MGLBA Board of Directors for four years, she is a founding member and former Co-Chair of the Same-Sex Domestic Violence Coalition, and she currently sits on the Board of the Women's Bar Association and the Domestic Violence Council; now therefore be it~~

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RESOLVED: That this City Council go on record congratulating the Massachusetts Lesbian and Gay Bar Association on their ~~Twelfth~~^{13th} Annual Dinner, congratulating keynote presenter ~~Evan Wolfson~~ and award recipients ~~John Ward~~ and ~~Sandra Lundy~~, and extending the best wishes of the City Council; and be it further

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In City Council March 31, 1997

Adopted by the affirmative vote of eight members.

Attest:- D. Margaret Drury, City Clerk.

A true copy;

ATTEST:-

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TO: KATHERINE TRIANTAFILLOU

13th Annual Dinner -- Friday, May 8, 1998

Keynote Speaker: The Honorable Nancy Gertner, U.S. District Court

Awardees:

1. **MBA (Massachusetts Bar Association) Community Service Award**
recipient is

Bennett H. Klein, Director of AIDS Law Project at Gay and Lesbian Advocates
and Defenders in Boston (GLAD)

2. **MLGBA Kevin Larkin Memorial Award for Community Service**
recipients are: Michelle Benecke and C. Dixon Osburn, Co-Executive Directors of the
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Dinner on May 8, 1998.

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