



City of Cambridge

R-41.

IN CITY COUNCIL

October 4, 1999

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

WHEREAS: It has come to the attention of this City Council that Joe Grassi is leaving his position as Director of the Gately Youth Center; and

WHEREAS: Joe was born and raised in Cambridge and has been an advocate for youth issues since his high school years; and

WHEREAS: Joe, who is also an elected member of the Cambridge School Committee since 1994, began working for the Department of Human Services (DHS) in 1985 at the age of 17, as a part-time facility attendant at the War Memorial; and

WHEREAS: Except for a military leave in 1990, Joe worked as a youth leader from that time on; he was director of the Mayor's Summer Youth Employment Program in the summer of 1992, and then in the fall of 1992, he began full-time work as the Youth Director at Gately Youth Center; and

WHEREAS: Joe has a strong and consistent record of youth advocacy; he was key in organizing for the needs assessment of the East Cambridge community for a youth center; he was actively engaged, along with residents, for two years in the design of the new and outstanding Frisoli Youth Center; his advocacy and hard work were also key to the decision to include renovations of the Gately Youth Center as part of the Fitzgerald School rehab; and

WHEREAS: Joe's energy, enthusiasm and advocacy skills, combined with his depth of understanding of youth issues in Cambridge and his ability to connect with kids has been of great benefit to the citizens of Cambridge, and especially to the children of Cambridge, through his employment as a youth worker at the Department of Human Services; now therefore be it

RESOLVED: That the City Council go on record extending its appreciation to Joe Grassi for his work with the Department of Human Services on behalf of the youth of Cambridge; and be it further

RESOLVED: That the City Council extend its best wishes to Joe Grassi in his future endeavors; and be it further

RESOLVED: That the City Clerk be and hereby is requested to forward a suitably engrossed copy of this resolution to Joe Grassi on behalf of the entire City Council.

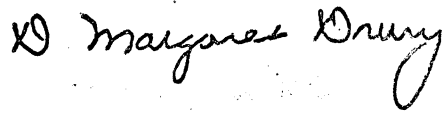
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Adopted by the affirmative vote of nine members.

Attest:- D. Margaret Drury, City Clerk.

A true copy;

ATTEST:-

A handwritten signature in cursive script, reading "D. Margaret Drury".

D. Margaret Drury
City Clerk

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Resolved: That the CC go on record expressing
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work with ~~the youth of Cambridge~~ the
Department of Human Services on behalf of
the youth of Cambridge; and be it further

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to Joe Grossi in his future endeavors; and be
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Resolved: JEC

Joe Gross, April
b 1967[↗] at age 17

Conrib = grew up in Conb
= leadership in high school
lobbying for young people

Consistent history of lobbying on behalf of
young people

key in conducting needs assessment for
E-Conb Youth Center

actively engaged w/ resid in design of
Fisole

- good solid work
- actively lobbying for restoration of bldg
from along w/

From: **CGriffin@Cl.Cambridge.MA.US (Cynthia H. Griffin)**
Organization: **City of Cambridge, Massachusetts**
To: **mdrury**
Date sent: **Thu, 30 Sep 1999 14:39:05 -0500**
Subject: **joe info**
Priority: **normal**

margaret,

here goes dates:

January 1985 - joined department as facility attendant, War Memorial
July 1985 - Additional title and job of recreation leader September 1985
- part time teen center youth leader November 1987 - promoted to part
time youth leader II December 1990 - military leave of absence June 1991
- return from leave to part-time youth leader II position May 1992 -
Director of the Mayor's Summer Youth Employment Program August 1992 -
Promoted to full time Youth Specialist/Gately June 1993 - Youth
Specialist title changed to Youth Center Director January 1994 - began
term as member of School Committee September 1999 - resigned from the
City



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Resolution #41 1067R

Councillor Toomey re: appreciation and
best wishes to Joe Grassi in his future
endeavors as he leaves his position as
Director of the Gately Youth Center.

In City Council October 4, 1999

ORDER ADOPTED