



CITY OF CAMBRIDGE

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Francis H. Duehay
Mayor

A PROCLAMATION OF THANKSGIVING

- 1981 -

WHEREAS, America's first independent Proclamation of Thanksgiving was issued by Order of the Provincial Congress assembled in Cambridge and signed by John Hancock, President, on October 22, 1774, and

WHEREAS, The Congress assembled in Cambridge declared that a Day of PUBLIC THANKSGIVING be observed in Consideration of the Continuance of the Smiles of Divine Providence and the Enjoyment of the general Health, and in particular in Consideration of the Union remarkably then prevailing not only in this Province but throughout the Continent despite the alarming Crisis of that Day, and

WHEREAS, The Citizens of Cambridge gladly continue the Heritage of rendering Thanks to Almighty God for all the Blessings we enjoy amidst the alarming Crises of our own Day; and we acknowledge that even amidst Peril of financial Hardship facing our City and the new Threat of Nuclear War facing the City and the World, we yet have such Abundance and such Peace as to rejoice and be thankful to the Deathless Power in whom we trust and whose Life we share; and

WHEREAS, We are mindful of the Hardships of many of our Neighbors in the City and Overseas, and call to mind the Need for providing Food for the Hungry and Shelter for the Homeless,

NOW, therefore, I, Francis H. Duehay, Mayor of the City of Cambridge, join with the President of the United States of America and the Governor of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts to proclaim as a Day of Thanksgiving, Thursday, November 26, 1981, and urge all Citizens of Cambridge to give Thanks on this Day.

A CITYWIDE Service of Thanksgiving will be held at St. Peter's Episcopal Church on Massachusetts Avenue at Sellers Street across from the City Hall at 7:30 p.m. on Thanksgiving Eve, November 25, 1981.

A handwritten signature in dark ink, reading "Francis H. Duehay", is positioned above the printed name and title.

Francis H. Duehay
Mayor

Issued on the Tenth Day of November, 1981

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Re: Proclamation from Mayor Duehay proclaim-
ing Thursday, November 26, 1981 as a Day of
Thanksgiving.

In City Council,

November 16, 1981

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