



City of Cambridge

49.

IN CITY COUNCIL

April 27, 1998

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

- WHEREAS: The week of May 4-10, 1998 will be a week of recognition of mediation services throughout the Commonwealth of Massachusetts; and
- WHEREAS: Mediation services in Cambridge are provided by trained mediators on a voluntary basis by non-profit groups such as the Cambridge Dispute Settlement Center, Inc., Cambridge Rindge and Latin High School, Cambridge Public Schools – Middle School Level, Harvard Mediation Program and MIT Campus Mediation Program; and
- WHEREAS: Mediation can resolve disputes – disputes that occur in the workplaces, schools, the courts with our friends, family acquaintances and between tenants and landlords; and
- WHEREAS: Mediators open the communication process to repair and rebuild potential relationships; and
- WHEREAS: Mediators are involved in the peace-making process in our community; now therefore be it
- RESOLVED: That this City Council go on record promoting the use of mediation services and recognize mediation programs as vital resources for our community; and be it further
- RESOLVED: That the City of Cambridge acknowledges the leaders in the resolution of conflict who generously contribute their time, energy and expert skill to make Cambridge a harmonious place to live and work and that on Monday, May 4, 1998 the City Council honors the mediators with a suitably engrossed presentation of this resolution to Cambridge Dispute Settlement Center, Inc., Cambridge Rindge and Latin High School, Cambridge Public Schools – Middle School Level, Harvard Mediation Program and MIT Campus Mediation Program.

In City Council April 27, 1998.

Adopted by the affirmative vote of nine members.

Attest:- D. Margaret Drury, City Clerk.

A true copy;

ATTEST:-

D. Margaret Drury

D. Margaret Drury
 City Clerk

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Whereas:

The week of May 4-10, 1998 will be a week of recognition of mediation ^{services} ~~and~~ throughout the Commonwealth of Massachusetts; and

Whereas:

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Whereas:

mediation can resolve ~~or~~ ~~with~~ disputes -- disputes that occur in the workplace, schools, the courts, with our friends, family, ~~landlords~~ ~~landlords~~, acquaintances - ~~and~~ ~~and~~

and between tenants and landlords; and

Whereas . . .

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to repair and rebuild potential relationships;
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Camb a harmonious place to live & work
and that ~~the City Council~~ Monday
May 4, 1998 ~~be the~~ ~~the~~ the
City Council honors the mediators with ~~an~~ a
~~publicly recognized~~ presentation of this resolution ~~publicly recognized~~ to
to _____ list below a 1st pg.

CAMBRIDGE DISPUTE SETTLEMENT CENTER

872 MASSACHUSETTS AVE., SUITE 2-9
CAMBRIDGE, MA 02139

617-876-5376

MARGARET -- 349-4269

April 10, 1998

Katherine Triantafillou,
Cambridge City Councilor
101 Rogers Street, Suite 405
Cambridge, MA 02142

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Dear Katherine:

During the week of May 4-10, 1998 a week-long recognition of mediation across the Commonwealth of Massachusetts is planned. As we did in the Fall of 1996 (wow time flies!) this is a wonderful opportunity to celebrate all the mediation happening on a local level right here in Cambridge.

Could you arrange for us to be on the City Council agenda for Monday, May 4th to sponsor a public honoring of the mediators at a City Council Meeting? It would be a terrific coming-together of mediators from a diverse cross-section of Cambridge -- the universities, public schools, and a community-based agency -- as well as both adults and young people.

A copy of the prior resolution is enclosed.

Last time, five separate non-profit groups in Cambridge providing mediation services participated, all being done by trained mediators on a volunteer basis:

- 1) Cambridge Dispute Settlement Center, Inc.
- 2) Cambridge Rindge and Latin High School
- 3) Cambridge Public Schools- Middle School Level
- 4) Harvard Mediation Program
- 5) MIT Campus Mediation Program

Please call me at 876-5376 at your earliest convenience to let us know if this would be possible. We are eager to get the word out to our fellow Cambridge mediators if this can happen during official mediation week!

You are our favored ambassador to herald this occasion! Thanks in advance for your consideration.

Most sincerely,

Gail

Gail S. Packer, LICSW
Executive Director

CCM-101



City of Cambridge

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Amended Order

IN CITY COUNCIL

November 4, 1996

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

WHEREAS: The week of November 17-23, 1996 has been officially declared to be Mediation Week throughout the Commonwealth of Massachusetts; and

WHEREAS: Cambridge is home to several non-profit groups who deserve acknowledgment for their valuable service, among them the Cambridge Dispute Settlement Center, Cambridge Rindge and Latin High School, Cambridge Middle Grades Peer Mediation, Harvard Mediation Program, Middlesex MultiDoor Courthouse, and the MIT Campus Program; and

WHEREAS: The City of Cambridge thus has the benefit of a broad range of mediation services provided by trained mediators, including over 150 volunteer mediators; and

WHEREAS: A wide spectrum of disputes are resolved through mediation, disputes that occur in such places as the courts, the workplace, our public schools, our families and our neighborhoods...between friends, acquaintances and strangers, landlords and tenants, roommates, consumers and merchants, supervisors and employees, co-workers, parents and children, and separating couples in both traditional and non-traditional relationships; and

WHEREAS: Mediators see conflict as a natural part of human interaction and mediation as a process that empowers people to resolve their own problems. Mediation offers people a constructive, meaningful alternative to other means of settling disputes which can be costly in financial and personal terms, or can escalate to violence, with its obvious harmful consequences; and

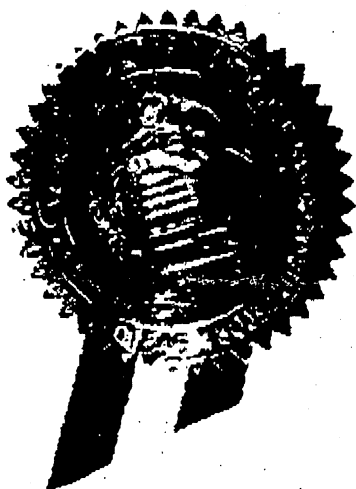
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WHEREAS: Mediators are committed to a process that opens up communication and has the potential to repair and rebuild relationships. Mediators have been witness to the powerful successes of mediation and are essential to the City of Cambridge in their role as peacemakers in the community; now therefore be it

RESOLVED: That the Cambridge City Council will promote the use of mediation in an effort to increase public awareness and use of these valuable services; and be it further

RESOLVED: That the Cambridge City Council recognizes these mediation programs as a vital resource for the community and that all the mediators in Cambridge are hereby acknowledged as leaders in the resolution of conflict who generously contribute their time, energy, and expertise to make Cambridge a more harmonious place to live and work; 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 at the City Council meeting of November 18, 1996 to Cambridge Dispute Settlement Center, Cambridge Rindge and Latin High School, Cambridge Middle Grades Peer Mediation, Harvard Mediation Program, Middlesex MultiDoor Courthouse, and the MIT Campus Program on behalf of the entire City Council.



In City Council November 4, 1996

Adopted as amended by the affirmative vote of nine members.

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D. Margaret Drury
City Clerk

Mediation in Cambridge

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Middle School Grades Mediation	349-6776	Steven Brion-Miesels
Harvard Mediation Program	495-1854	Gabrielle Gropman
Mediation @ MIT	258-8423	Carol Orme Johnson
Middlesex Multi-Door Courthouse	494-0592	Barbara Stedman

Prepared for Mediation Week, May 3 - 9, 1998

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Consent Order #49 R-508
Councillor Triantafillou re:
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In City Council April 27, 1998

ORDER ADOPTED