



CITY OF CAMBRIDGE

In City Council
February 13, 1984

Councillor Graham

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WHEREAS:

History confirms the presence of Blacks in Cambridge in the days prior to the American Revolution; the appearance of numerous Black Churches founded by dedicated clergy to care for the spiritual welfare of the Black population; the coming into view at the turn of the century Black men and women who were to leave their mark on the educational and political life of the city; and the enrichment of the cultural life of the city, a culture nurtured by the Cambridge Black Cultural and Historical Association, now therefore be it

RESOLVED:

That this City Council go on record as officially proclaiming February 1984 as Black History Month in Cambridge, Massachusetts and urge all residents to join in city-wide celebrations and, in particular, the program "The Crisis of Empowerment - Crime, Justice and Power in the Black Community" sponsored by the Cambridge Black Cultural and Historical Association at the Cambridge Public Library on Sunday, February 26, 1984.



City of Cambridge

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IN CITY COUNCIL

February 13, 1984

MAYOR RUSSELL

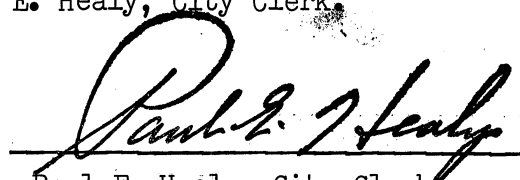
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 Adopted by the affirmative vote of 8 members.
 Attest:- Paul E. Healy, City Clerk.

A true copy;

ATTEST:-


 Paul E. Healy, City Clerk.

Order # 6

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Mayor Russell & C. Graham re: resolutions
proclaiming the month of February 1984 as
Black History Month in the City of Cambridge.

In City Council,

February 13, 1984

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