



City of Cambridge

Calendar Item # 5

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IN CITY COUNCIL

~~May 2, 1994~~

May 9, 1994

COUNCILLOR TRIANTAFILLOU
COUNCILLOR BORN

WHEREAS: The City of Cambridge is dedicated to the rights and privileges of all of its citizens; and

WHEREAS: The City of Cambridge has passed an ordinance protecting the rights of Lesbian and Gay Citizens in particular; and

WHEREAS: It is a fundamental right of all citizens to receive information that will protect their health and encourage their growth as fully integrated and healthy human beings; and

WHEREAS: U.S. Representative Joseph Kennedy voted to halt all federal aid to schools that do not "continuously" teach abstinence as the only effective protection against AIDS and unwanted pregnancy; and

WHEREAS: U.S. Representative Joseph Kennedy voted to deny federal aid to schools that have the effect or purpose of "encouraging or supporting homosexuality as a positive lifestyle," which would, if enacted, prevent guidance counselors from even referring a student to a teen peer counseling group which affirms homosexuality; and

WHEREAS: Congressman Kennedy later voted to "gut" the enforcement of the previous amendment to the Education Reform Act, but subsequently made public pronouncements that women-lesbian or heterosexual - should not choose to have children without fathers, and further made similarly offensive statements referencing his beliefs regarding AIDS prevention, and the traditional family; and

WHEREAS: The effect of such votes and public statements is to create a political climate whereby gay and lesbian youth who may need assistance in understanding and working through their sexuality are thwarted; and further impede the efforts necessary to slow the spread of AIDS in America's youth; and

WHEREAS: Such a vote and public statement suggest to the public that lesbian and gay families are unworthy of support or encouragement as a positive part of life in America; now therefore be it

RESOLVED: That the City Council express its astonishment and displeasure that our Congressional Representative would attempt to negate all the positive work that has been accomplished in making sure that lesbian and gay citizens, including lesbian and gay youth, are treated with dignity and respect; and be it further

RESOLVED: That the City Clerk be and hereby is requested to send a copy of this Resolution to the Representative with a request for a response forthwith.

In City Council May 9, 1994.

Adopted by a yea and nay vote:-

Yeas 5; Nays 2; Absent 0; Present 2.

Attest:- D. Margaret Drury, City Clerk.

A true copy;

ATTEST:-

D. Margaret Drury
City Clerk

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City of Cambridge

Charter Right # 5

MASSACHUSETTS

In City Council

5-9

1994

C. Walsh: Substitute motion that Congressman Kennedy be invited to come to the City Council to explain his position before the order is voted on

YEA	NAY	ABSENT	PRESENT	
	✓			Ms. Kathleen L. Born
	✓			Mr. Francis H. Duehay
	✓			Mr. Jonathan S. Myers
✓				Mrs. Sheila T. Russell
✓				Mr. Michael A. Sullivan
✓				Mr. Timothy J. Toomey, Jr.
	✓			Ms. Katherine Triantafillou
✓				Mr. William H. Walsh
	✓			Mayor Kenneth E. Reeves
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WHEREAS: Congressman Kennedy later voted to "gut" the enforcement of the previous amendment to the Education Reform Act, but subsequently made public pronouncements that women-lesbian or heterosexual - should not choose to have children without fathers, and further made similarly offensive statements referencing his beliefs regarding AIDS prevention, and the traditional family; and

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CHARTER RIGHT WAS EXERCISED BY COUNCILLOR WALSH.

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Resolution #10

Councillor Triantafillou
April 7, 1994 Born

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Whereas, U.S. Representative Joseph Kennedy voted to halt all federal aid to schools that do not "continuously" teach abstinence as the only effective protection against AIDS and unwanted pregnancy;

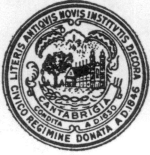
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Whereas, the effect of such votes and public statements is to create a political climate whereby gay and lesbian youth who may need assistance in understanding and working through their sexuality are thwarted; and further, impede the efforts necessary to slow the spread of AIDS in America's youth; and

Whereas, such a vote and public statements suggest to the public that lesbian and gay families are unworthy of support or encouragement as a positive part of life in America;

Now therefore, be it resolved, that the City Council express its astonishment and displeasure that our Congressional Representative would attempt to negate all the positive work that has been accomplished in making sure that lesbian and gay citizens, including lesbian and gay youth, are treated with dignity and respect and authorize the City Clerk to send a copy of this Resolution to the Representative with a request for a response forthwith.



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Consent Order #38

Cal # 5

R-327
Councillors Triantafillou and
Born re: Protecting the rights
of Lesbian and Gay Citizens regarding
health.

Charter Right was
exercised by
Councillor Walsh

5/9/94 Order adopted
5-2-0-2.

In City Council,

May 2, 1994