



City of Cambridge

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IN CITY COUNCIL

October 20, 1997

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

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WHEREAS: The Cambridge Public Health Commission developed the literacy project in collaboration with the Center for Families of North Cambridge, the Somerville Family Network, Cambridge Title I, Cambridge Even-Start, and the Cambridge Kids Council; and

WHEREAS: The literacy project is called READ, an acronym for Read Each And Every Day. This program focuses on children from six months to five years old, and their families. The program consists of a child receiving a free book at each well child visit, free parent workshops, and storytimes with a READ volunteer; and

WHEREAS: The book-signing ceremony will feature Marc Brown, author of the popular Arthur book and PBS-TV series, and a portion of the proceeds from all Arthur book sold on October 25th will be donated to support the literacy program; and

WHEREAS: Funding for the childhood literacy program was made possible through the generosity of the Boston Foundation, the Somerville Health Foundation, and the American Academy of Pediatrics; now therefore be it

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RESOLVED: That this City Council go on record expressing heartiest congratulations and appreciation to the pediatric departments of The Cambridge Hospital and the Somerville Hospital for their tireless hard work and commitment to bring quality health care and services to low-income families who are in particular need of supportive intervention due to economic hardship.

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Adopted by the affirmative vote of nine members.

Attest:- D. Margaret Drury, City Clerk.

A true copy;

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Consent Order #53 ^{Entire} memb. R-1360

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