



City of Cambridge

16.

IN CITY COUNCIL

November 14, 1994

MAYOR REEVES
COUNCILLOR BORN
COUNCILLOR DUEHAY
COUNCILLOR MYERS
COUNCILLOR SULLIVAN
COUNCILLOR TRIANTAFILLOU
COUNCILLOR WALSH

WHEREAS: The City of Cambridge has been proud to call itself both home and host to some of the most renowned national and international literary figures of our time; and

WHEREAS: The City of Cambridge is most fortunate and excited that on November 8, in a special reading and performance at the Cambridge Public Library, the name of NTOZAKE SHANGE was added to that illustrious list; and

WHEREAS: NTOZAKE SHANGE burst onto the literary scene in 1976, with her acclaimed and original choreo-poem "for colored girls who have considered suicide/when the rainbow is enuf," a landmark theatrical piece which received an Obie award and a Tony award nomination; and

WHEREAS: Since her auspicious introduction to the world of drama, NTOZAKE SHANGE has continued to mesmerize and delight her audience with such innovative and impeccably crafted literary works as "Three Pieces," "Sassafras, Cypress, & Indigo," and "Betsey Brown;" and

WHEREAS: NTOZAKE SHANGE has, in addition to these accomplishments, lectured and taught classes at Rice University, Villanova University, and the Maryland Institute of Art, remaining a committed educator on the literature of people of color, feminist literature, and the aesthetics of writing; and

WHEREAS: NTOZAKE SHANGE has added yet another star to her crown, with the publishing of her latest work, "Liliane," a novel which is the result of seven years of work and which will surely establish her as a major force in the world of literature; now therefore be it

RESOLVED: That the Cambridge City Council does hereby congratulate NTOZAKE SHANGE on her many accomplishments to date, namely the debut of her most recent work, "Liliane," and wish her continued success in the future, with the hope that she will always feel welcome and at home in the City of Cambridge, and thus make frequent visits to our fair City.

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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 #16

Mayor Reeves re: Congratulations to Ntozake Shange on
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