

WHEREAS: Along with many other civic activities, Justice Yacoob has been heavily involved with the work of the Natal Indian Blind and Deaf Society and the South African National Counsel of the Blind of which he is currently the chair; now therefore be it

RESOLVED: That the City Council go on record welcoming Justice Zakeria Mohammed Yacoob to the City of Cambridge; 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 to Justice Zakeria Mohammed Yacoob on behalf of the entire City Council.

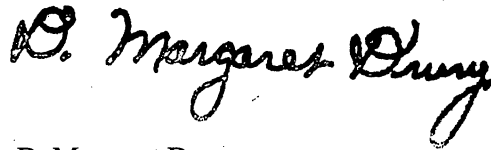
In City Council June 6, 2005.

Adopted by the affirmative vote of eight members.

Attest:- D. Margaret Drury, City Clerk.

A true copy;

ATTEST:-

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "D. Margaret Drury". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

D. Margaret Drury
City Clerk



City of Cambridge

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IN CITY COUNCIL

June 6, 2005

COUNCILLOR REEVES
COUNCILLOR DAVIS
VICE MAYOR DECKER
COUNCILLOR GALLUCCIO
COUNCILLOR MAHER
COUNCILLOR MURPHY
COUNCILLOR SIMMONS
MAYOR SULLIVAN
COUNCILLOR TOOMEY

- WHEREAS: It has come to the attention of the Cambridge City Council that Justice Zakeria Mohammed Yacoob, Constitutional Court of South Africa, one of South Africa's foremost lawyers and judges, will visit Cambridge to participate in the 50th Anniversary of the South African Freedom Charter, a symposium that will take place at Harvard University Law School on June 16, 2005; and
- WHEREAS: Justice Yacoob was born on March 3, 1948 and became blind at the age of 16 months as a result of meningitis; and
- WHEREAS: Justice Yacoob earned his B.A. at the University College, Durban in 1969 and his LLB in 1972; and
- WHEREAS: Justice Yacoob was admitted as an advocate to the Natal Provincial Division of the Supreme Court on March 1973; he practiced as a junior counsel from July 1973 to May 1991; and
- WHEREAS: As a practitioner he represented many people prosecuted for contravening security laws, represented victims of unfair evictions, represented the "Durban Six" in negotiations with the British government when they occupied the British Consulate in 1984, and was part of a team that from 1985 to 1988 defended officials and members of the United Democratic Front in the Delmas Treason Trial; and
- WHEREAS: Justice Yacoob was a member of the council of the University of Durban-Westville from 1989 to 1993 and from 1995 to 1997. He was the chancellor of the university from May 2001 until December 31, 2003; and
- WHEREAS: Justice Yacoob belonged to the Democratic Lawyers Association from 1979 to 1984 and was a member of the underground structures of the African National Congress; and
- WHEREAS: Justice Yacoob was a member of the Technical Committee on Fundamental Rights in the Negotiation Process; he served on the Independent Electoral Commission from December 1993 to June 1994 and was a member of the Panel of Independent Experts of the Constitutional Assembly;

RESOLUTION #98

Welcome South African Justice
Zakeria Mohammed Yacoob to
Cambridge.

**Councillor Reeves and entire
membership**

In City Council June 6, 2005

ORDER ADOPTED