

RESOLVED: That the City Council does welcome Reverend Canon Rodman to the City and recognize and congratulate him for living both an activist and intellectual life within church and community, including his graduating summa cum laude from Hampton Institute in Virginia, being active in the Civil Rights Movement as a field secretary for the Congress of Racial Equality and as a founding member of the Student Non-Violent Coordinating Committee, having been called to serve as an executive assistant to Bishop Burgess in the Diocese of Massachusetts for Race Relations, Urban Ministry and Outreach in 1972, his activities including community leadership development, prison reform, and coordination of the religious response to the Boston school desegregation crisis, authoring numerous publications, including "Soul Sisters: The Emergence of Black Women's Leadership" and "Seeking to Hear and to Heed in the Cities: Urban Ministry in the Post War Episcopal Church," having been appointed to the Board of Inquiry within the Episcopal Church in 1974 that responded to charges stemming from the Philadelphia ordinations of women and continuing that work today as a faculty member of the Episcopal Divinity School in Cambridge since 2002; and be it further

RESOLVED: That the City Clerk be and hereby is requested to send a suitably engrossed copy of this resolution to the Cambridge Peace Commission to be presented to Reverend Canon Rodman at the Eleventh Cambridge Peace and Justice Awards Dinner on behalf of the entire City Council.

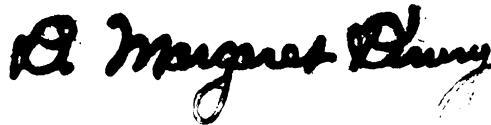
In City Council November 17, 2008.

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 stylized with a large initial "D" and a long, sweeping underline.

D. Margaret Drury
City Clerk



City of Cambridge

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IN CITY COUNCIL

November 17, 2008

MAYOR SIMMONS
COUNCILLOR DAVIS
COUNCILLOR DECKER
COUNCILLOR KELLEY
COUNCILLOR MAHER
VICE MAYOR MURPHY
COUNCILLOR REEVES
COUNCILLOR SEIDEL
COUNCILLOR TOOMEY

- WHEREAS: Cambridge is home to many who use their time, talents, and energies to create more just, peaceful, and safe communities; and
- WHEREAS: Cambridge has many organizations and individuals promoting issues of peace and justice both locally and globally. This important work is done in a variety of ways and on a range of issues –from people who work for peace in families, schools, congregations, and neighborhoods to those working across the United States and internationally; and
- WHEREAS: The Cambridge Peace Commission has created Peace and Justice Awards, which recognize individuals and organizations in Cambridge working for peace and social justice by soliciting the nominations of people or programs that build bridges among people, those who stand for peace and justice initiatives particularly in these times of conflict, war, and divisions, and who may be lifelong peace and justice makers, as well as those among us whose daily lives may be inspirations to their community; and
- WHEREAS: **Quaker Prison Fellowship of Friends Meeting at Cambridge**, and its members residing in the City of Cambridge – **Thomas Patrick Ash, Michael Carey, Lynn Lazar, Mehmet Rona, and Gatewood West** – have been chosen by the Cambridge Peace Commission from among more than fifty nominees to receive a Peace and Justice Award for their hard work on justice issues for incarcerated and formerly incarcerated men and women. They do this work through both their words and their lives, by supporting a Quaker worship group at Norfolk Correction Center, ecumenical interchurch efforts to help formerly incarcerated people successfully return to their communities, starting and participating in a weekly meal and spiritual sharing program for formerly incarcerated people and their friends, arranging rides for visitors to incarcerated men and women, helping friends and relatives of prisoners fill out administrative forms necessary for communication and access to prisoners, hosting families and friends from out of town who are visiting prisoners, providing information and referral for released prisoners and their families, supporting the Louis D. Brown Peace Institute as it supports and assists families of homicide victims and invites them to join in the work to prevent further violence and organizing participation in the annual Mother's Day Walk for Peace; and

RESOLUTION #19

Congratulations to the Quaker
Prison Fellowship of Friends
Meeting at Cambridge on receiving
a Peace and Justice Award on
November 16, 2008
**Mayor Simmons and entire
membership**

**In City Council
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ORDER ADOPTED