

RESOLVED: That upon the occasion of Harvard Square's First Bookish Ball, a community-wide celebration of the bookstores of Harvard Square and the recognition of the importance of bookstores in our community, the City of Cambridge wishes to and does hereby formally and sincerely recognize, gratefully acknowledge and express its deepest appreciation to Schoenhof's Foreign Books, Grolier Poetry Book Shop, Out of Town News, The Crimson Corner, The Harvard Book and Binding Service, the Million Year Picnic, Newbury Comics, Revolutionary Bookstore, New England Comics, Tokyo Kid, Lame Duck Books, Raven Used Books, the Papercut Zine Library and The Almost Banned in Harvard Square Booksellers for their dedicated service to the citizens of Harvard Square, Cambridge, and the world beyond; and be it further

RESOLVED: That the City Clerk be and hereby is requested to provide a suitably engrossed copy of this resolution to the organizers of the First Bookish Ball.

In City Council April 7, 2008.

Adopted by the affirmative vote of nine 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 fluid and cursive, 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

April 7, 2008

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

- WHEREAS: The founding of Schoenhof's Foreign Books in 1856 established it as the oldest foreign-language book dealer and the one of the oldest bookstores in the United States. Established in Harvard Square, in 1948, it stocks volumes for adults and children in more than 50 languages, and instructional materials for over 700 languages; and
- WHEREAS: The Grolier Poetry Book Shop, established in 1927 is one of only two Poetry-only bookstores in the United States, and the Out of Town News Kiosk was founded by Sheldon Cohen in 1955 and The Crimson Corner was established in 1962; and
- WHEREAS: The Harvard Book & Binding Service was established 38 years ago, in 1970 and the Million Year Picnic, and Newbury Comics in 1974 and 1978 respectively and the Revolutionary Bookstore was founded nearly at the end of Vietnam era in 1979 and New England Comics was established in 1988; and
- WHEREAS: Tokyo Kid was founded in the JFK Garage in 1993 and Curious George Books and Toys arrived in Harvard Square in 1995, followed ten years later in 2005 by Lame Duck Books, Raven Used Books and The Papercut Zine Library; and
- WHEREAS: The Almost Banned in Harvard Square Booksellers, was founded by Ken O'Brien in 2006. Ken and his partner, Ellen French, (Frenchie) a homeless couple living on the streets of Harvard Square with a dog and cat, were determined to sell books to get themselves off the streets. After months of selling books on the corner of Holyoke Street and Massachusetts Avenue, they saved enough money to secure an apartment; now therefore be it

RESOLUTION #11

Congratulations to the participants
of Harvard Square's First Bookish
Ball

**Mayor Simmons and entire
membership**

**In City Council
April 7, 2008**

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