



City of Cambridge

24.

IN CITY COUNCIL

April 3, 1995

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

WHEREAS: The Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) program is now in its twenty first year of providing resources to develop better living conditions and an improved quality of life for persons of low and moderate incomes; and

WHEREAS: CDBG funds have been used by the City of Cambridge and non-profit organizations within our borders, to provide essential housing, human services, economic development and other community development programs for the more than fifty per cent of all Cambridge residents who are of low and moderate income; and

WHEREAS: Examples of ongoing projects in the City which have been funded, in whole or in part, by the CDBG Program include:

- * Blouin site, Area IV - construction of sixteen affordable home ownership units;
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- * Scattered sites - rehabilitation of 59 units of housing;
- * Central Square Facade Improvement Project;
- * Women's Business and Micro-enterprise Programs;
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- * Neighborhood planning work in Area IV; and

WHEREAS: CDBG funds also make possible over thirty three programs of the City of Cambridge Department of Human Services Programs, including:

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- * Transportation for elders and handicapped individuals from home to necessary

medical services; and

WHEREAS: The CDBG Program, proposed and established by President Nixon's administration in 1974, has already undergone a "constant dollars" funding reduction of more than sixty per cent over its twenty years of operation; now therefore be it

RESOLVED: That this Cambridge City Council does hereby proclaim the week of April 10, 1995 to April 16, 1995 to be CAMBRIDGE COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT WEEK in the City of Cambridge; and be it further

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Adopted by the affirmative vote of eight members.

Attest:- D. Margaret Drury, City Clerk.

A true copy;

ATTEST:-

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Entire membership

Consent Order #24

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Mayor Reeves re: Proclaim the week
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Order adopted.