



City of Cambridge

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IN CITY COUNCIL

October 18, 1999

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WHEREAS: The Cambridge Peace Commission is holding an evening to honor the 1999 recipients of the Peace and Justice Awards on Sunday, October 24, from 5:30-8:00 at the Episcopal Divinity School; now therefore be it

RESOLVED: That this Cambridge City Council does recognize and congratulate the following recipients of the **1999 FIFTH ANNUAL PEACE AND JUSTICE AWARDS**:
University of Massachusetts Professor Randy Albelda who brings her policy advocacy for welfare rights together with working with low-income women; Vicky Steinitz and Elliot Mishler whose dedication spans the issues of welfare rights, Central America solidarity and progressive educational reform; Katya Fels for her work with homeless women through On The Rise; Rita Arditti for her work for women's health, advocacy for the Argentine grandmothers of the Plaza Del Mayo and New Words; Middle East scholar/activist and Arab Anti-Discrimination member Elaine Hagopian; Nancy Murray

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Councillor Born and entire membership
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