



City of Cambridge

41.

IN CITY COUNCIL

October 16, 1995

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

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- WHEREAS: **Ruth Birkoff** continued as an associate member of the Conservation Commission until 1993; and
- WHEREAS: She was a founder of the City of Cambridge Public Planting Committee in 1979, and was a founder of the Community Garden Program in 1974; and
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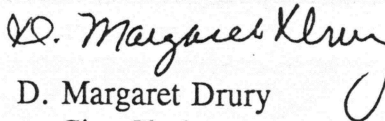
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RESOLVED: That the City Clerk be and hereby is requested to prepare a suitably engrossed copy of this resolution congratulating **Ruth Birkoff** on her many years of service to Cambridge.

In City Council October 16, 1995
Adopted by the affirmative vote of nine members.
Attest:- D. Margaret Drury, City Clerk.

A true copy;

ATTEST:-


D. Margaret Drury
City Clerk



CITY OF CAMBRIDGE

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OFFICE OF THE WATER BOARD

Joseph J. Harrington
President

A. Paul Flynn

Kevin Rogers

Ann C. Roosevelt

Jonathan L. Yeo

February 27, 1996

Vice Mayor Born
City Hall
Cambridge, MA 02139

Dear Vice Mayor Born:

It has come to the attention of the Water Board that, on October 16, 1995, the City Council passed a resolution thanking Ruth Birkhoff for her many years of service to the City of Cambridge. We thank you for so suitably honoring her.

In reviewing the records of the Board we determined that she had served on the Water Board twelve years long than cited — from April 1973 to December 1994.

We hope to see her next week and wanted to make this emendation for the record.

Thank you.

Sincerely,

Joseph J. Harrington

cc.: Ms. Ruth Birkhoff
Mr. Michael A. Nicoloro



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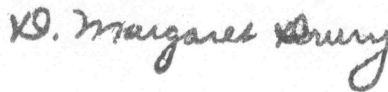
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*Served on the Conservation Commission for 20 years until 1985

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*Was a founder of the Public Planting Committee in 1979

*Was a founder of the Community Garden Program in 1974

* Member of the Water Board from 1985 to 1994 (I believe this is correct, but the Water Dept. could not confirm the dates)

*Served as the Water Board's representative to the Cambridge Watershed Advisory Committee

*Long-time member of the Cambridge Plant & Garden Club and served two terms as its president

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Please prepare order congratulating
 Ruth Birkhoff on her many years
 of service to Cambridge. Upon
 her retirement to the retirement
 relocation.

Call Ruth.

DRAFT

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Duehay, Galluccio, Myers, Reeves
Consent Order #41

Councillor Born re: Best wishes
to Ruth Birkoff for her many years
of service to Cambridge and wish
her well in her new ventures.

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Toomey,
Russell, Sullivan, Triantafyllou

Order Adopted

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