



City of Cambridge

22.

IN CITY COUNCIL

April 12, 1993

MAYOR REEVES
COUNCILLOR WOLF
VICE MAYOR CYR
COUNCILLOR DUEHAY
COUNCILLOR MYERS
COUNCILLOR WALSH

WHEREAS: The years 1933 to 1945 represented among the darkest years in human history with the mass murder of six million Jews, and thousands of Protestants and Catholic Clergy and lay people, Jehovah's Witnesses, political dissidents, gay men and lesbians, handicapped persons and Gypsies, in a systematic genocide promulgated by the Nazi party of Germany; and

WHEREAS: April 19, 1993, marks the fiftieth anniversary of the uprising by valiant young Jewish men and women in the Warsaw Ghetto against over-whelming Nazi military might; followed later in 1943 by revolts in the killing centers of Treblinka and Sobibor; and

WHEREAS: All our citizens should remember the atrocities committed by Nazi Germany and their collaborators and recognize that each of us must remain eternally vigilant against all tyranny; and

WHEREAS: Sunday, April 18, 1993, has been designated pursuant to an Act of Congress as a Day of Remembrance of the Victims of the Holocaust, known internationally as Yom Hashoah; and

WHEREAS: It is appropriate for the citizens of Cambridge to join in this commemoration with the United States Holocaust Memorial Museum, dedicated this year as the nation's center for learning and remembrance of the Holocaust; and

WHEREAS: The people of Cambridge representing a multiplicity of cultures, including Holocaust survivors and families of its victims, will never forget this dark age of human history; and

WHEREAS: We, the people of Cambridge, to remain proud and affirming of our diversity, must be eternally vigilant against all forms of bigotry and must not allow any forms of prejudice to seep into the fabric of our lives providing a breeding ground for tyranny to flourish; and

WHEREAS: Members of the Cambridge community from many backgrounds will gather on Wednesday, April 14, 1993, at Temple Beth Shalom of Cambridge to remember the 50th anniversary of the Warsaw Ghetto Uprising, the victims and survivors of the Holocaust and to strive to overcome prejudice, intolerance, and ignorance that exist in our every day lives; and

WHEREAS: The theme for the Yom Hashoah program is "We shall be true to their memory by being fighters for freedom and justice in our land and throughout the world"; now therefore be it

RESOLVED: That this Cambridge City Council do hereby proclaim the week of Sunday, April 18th through Sunday, April 25, 1993 as DAYS OF REMEMBRANCE OF THE VICTIMS OF THE HOLOCAUST in memory of those victims and in the hope that we will strive always to overcome prejudice and inhumanity through education, vigilance and dedication to equal justice for all; and be it further

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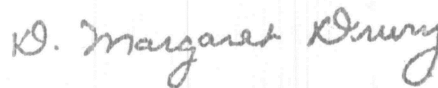
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Adopted by the affirmative vote of eight members.

Attest:- D. Margaret Drury, City Clerk.

A true copy;

ATTEST:-

A handwritten signature in cursive script, reading "D. Margaret Drury".

D. Margaret Drury
City Clerk



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CONSENT ORDER #22

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