



City of Cambridge

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IN CITY COUNCIL

October 20, 1997

COUNCILLOR SULLIVAN
COUNCILLOR TOOMEY
VICE MAYOR BORN
COUNCILLOR DAVIS
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COUNCILLOR GALLUCCIO
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MAYOR RUSSELL
COUNCILLOR TRIANTAFILLOU

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Milton "Mike" Herman on October 11, 1997 at the age of eighty-four years; and

WHEREAS: Milton was the proprietor of the Porter Square Chevrolet in Cambridge from
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WHEREAS: Milton was a former sparring partner of the heavy weight boxing champion Primo
Carnera; and

WHEREAS: Milton was a graduate of Temple University and Boston University Law School;
and

WHEREAS: Milton's passing will leave a void in the lives of all of his surviving friends and
family, his wife Marjorie; his daughter Gail; his sons Warren, Guy and Mark and
his ten grandchildren; and

WHEREAS: Milton will be sorely missed by all he touched and loved; now therefore be it

RESOLVED: That this City Council go on record extending its deepest sympathy to the family
of Milton Herman at this time of such personal loss; and be it further

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RESOLVED: That the City Clerk be and hereby is requested to forward a suitably engrossed copy of this resolution to the Herman family on behalf of the entire City Council.

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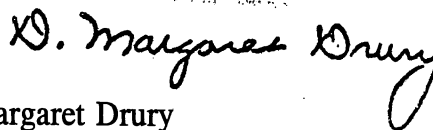
Adopted by the affirmative vote of nine members.

Attest:- D. Margaret Drury, City Clerk.

A true copy;

ATTEST:-

D. Margaret Drury
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A handwritten signature in cursive script, reading "D. Margaret Drury". The signature is written in dark ink and is positioned to the right of the printed name and title.

Councilor Sullivan

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Milton Herman, 84; car dealer, practice partner of boxing champ

By Tom Long
GLOBE STAFF

Milton Herman, the former owner of Porter Square Chevrolet in Cambridge who once sparred with

heavyweight boxing champion Primo Carnera and dined with gangster Al Capone, died Saturday in Mt. Auburn Hospital in Cambridge. He was 84.

Mr. Herman, known as "Mike," was born in Medford. He weighed 248 pounds when he graduated from Brookline High School.

Shortly after school, he volunteered to spar a round with the 260-pound Primo Carnera for \$25, a princely sum at the time. But first he had to pass an interview with Carnera's manager, Leonard See.

"After looking me over he handed me a deck of cards and told me to tear them apart," Mr. Herman said in a story published in the Boston Post on Dec. 8, 1932. "It just happened that I used to practice the stunt often, so I did it without any trouble. Then he gave me a phone book and made me do the same thing with it.

"I was green and young, but Mr. See thought he could make a fighter out of me."

Mr. Herman accompanied Carnera, known as the "Ambling Alp," to his training camp in Miami. There they were wined and dined by Al Capone at his Miami estate. The gangster was "a great entertainer," Mr. Herman said.

The fight game soon grew pale to Mr. Herman, and he yearned to continue his education. When he asked Carnera's manager for an honest assessment of his future in boxing, Mr. See suggested he return to school.

Mr. Herman graduated from Temple University and Boston University Law School. During World War II, he was the skipper of a Navy minesweeper and was awarded a Bronze Star for bravery.

He owned and operated Porter Square Chevrolet from 1950 to 1970.

He leaves his wife, Marjorie (Breyer); a daughter, Gail of New York; three sons, Warren of Boston, Guy of Vermont, and Mark of Belmont; and 10 grandchildren.

A memorial observance will be held from 10 a.m. to noon Saturday in Bigelow Chapel at Mt. Auburn Cemetery in Cambridge.

Death Notices

HERMAN

Milton "Mike" of Belmont, October 11, 1997. Beloved husband of Marjorie (Breyer). Devoted father of Gail, Warren, Guy and Mark Herman. Also survived by ten grandchildren. Memorial observance will be held on Saturday, October 18, from 10:00 A.M. to 12:00 Noon at Bigelow Chapel located at Mt. Auburn Cemetery, Cambridge. Vet. WWII U.S. Navy. In lieu of flowers, memorial donations may be made to the charity of your choice. Arrangements by Aram Bedrosian Funeral Home, WATERTOWN.

MS

Globe Miller Benson

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add to Sister McLaughlin

~~John P. Pige~~

Margaret Egan ✓



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Consent Order #82

Entire
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Councillors Sullivan, Toomey and entire
membership re: Resolution on the
death of Milton "Mike" Herman.

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ORDER ADOPTED