

WHEREAS: Their fifteen minute PowerPoint presentation was well prepared, articulate and precise, showing their enthusiasm and leadership skills that they have grown into over the years as members of the Youth Involvement Subcommittee of the Cambridge Kids' Council; and

WHEREAS: As elected officials who attended the conference, we are so energized and proud of our youth's accomplishments; now therefore be it

RESOLVED: That the City Council go on record extending its appreciation to Mary Wong, Executive Director of the Kids' Council, the youth delegates who gave the presentation and all the hard working members of the Cambridge Youth Involvement Subcommittee that have made this possible; and be it further

RESOLVED: That the City Clerk be and hereby is requested to prepare suitably engrossed copies of this resolution to the Mary Wong, Executive Director of the Kids' Council, and the youth members who participated at the 2008 NLC Congressional City Conference on behalf of the entire City Council.

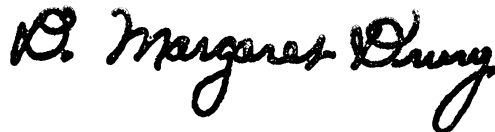
In City Council March 24, 2008.

Adopted by the affirmative vote of seven members.

Attest:- D. Margaret Drury, City Clerk.

A true copy;

ATTEST:-

A handwritten signature in black ink, reading "D. Margaret Drury". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

D. Margaret Drury
City Clerk



City of Cambridge

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IN CITY COUNCIL

March 24, 2008

COUNCILLOR REEVES
MAYOR SIMMONS
COUNCILLOR DAVIS
COUNCILLOR DECKER
COUNCILLOR KELLEY
COUNCILLOR MAHER
VICE MAYOR MURPHY
COUNCILLOR SEIDEL
COUNCILLOR TOOMEY

- WHEREAS: The National League of Cities held its Congressional City Conference in Washington, DC on March 8 through March 12, 2008; and
- WHEREAS: The National League of Cities (NLC) invited the Youth Involvement Subcommittee of the Cambridge Kids' Council to give a presentation to the NLC delegates at this conference on the subject of youth affecting policy on the city and state levels by advocating to give 17 year olds the right to vote; and
- WHEREAS: The National League of Cities extended this invitation because of the leadership and maturity that the youth delegates from Cambridge had displayed at the NLC Congress of Cities Conference in New Orleans in November of 2007; and
- WHEREAS: The National League of Cities wanted to showcase the hard work and leadership qualities of the Cambridge youth delegation to the entire country by having them present their Youth Voting Age Project; and
- WHEREAS: The Kids' Council Youth Involvement Subcommittee with support from Mayor E. Denise Simmons and City Manager Robert Healy gratefully accepted this invitation and were challenged to present their views and process on the Youth Voting Age Project, "An Act To Enable 17 Year Old Residents Of Cambridge To Vote In Local Elections"; and
- WHEREAS: The Cambridge youth delegation under the guidance of the Kids' Council Executive Director Mary Wong spent hour after hour of preparation for the presentation before the NLC Conference; and
- WHEREAS: Denise Gharthey, Alex Katz, Moses Michel, Humbi Song and Samuel Gebru were selected to be the youth presentation team to NLC by their peers given their experience and knowledge on legislative advocacy; and

RESOLUTION #1

Congratulations and appreciation to
Mary Wong, Executive Director of
the Kids' Council, and the youth
delegates who gave a presentation
at the 2008 National League of
Cities Conference

**Councillor Reeves, Mayor
Simmons and entire membership**

**In City Council
March 24, 2008**

ORDER ADOPTED