



City of Cambridge

O-13.

IN CITY COUNCIL

June 4, 2001

COUNCILLOR SULLIVAN
COUNCILLOR BORN
COUNCILLOR BRAUDE
COUNCILLOR DAVIS
COUNCILLOR DECKER
MAYOR GALLUCCIO
VICE MAYOR MAHER
COUNCILLOR REEVES
COUNCILLOR TOOMEY

WHEREAS: This day the City of Cambridge honors a dear, departed son of Cambridge; and

WHEREAS: Patrick "Pat" Gregory Cochran was born on January 7, 1924 in Cork City, Ireland to Patrick G. and Mary Ann (O'Callahan) Corcoran, the oldest of their three children - Patrick, Bina and the late Richard Corcoran; and

WHEREAS: Pat's family came to Squires Court, Cambridge in 1928; the family moved to Elm Street, and Patrick attended St. Mary's Grammar School and Rindge Technical High School; and

WHEREAS: Pat enlisted in the Navy in 1943, the same year that he graduated from high school; he was stationed in the South Pacific on the aircraft carrier USS Cabot, which was in every major battle in the South Pacific; and

WHEREAS: In 1948, at St. Catherine's Church in Somerville, Pat joined his heart and hand in Holy Matrimony with Margaret Mary "Peg" (Ford), the love of his life; and

WHEREAS: The marriage of Pat and Peg was blessed with four fine sons, Patrick Jr., Kevin, Brian and Bill; and

WHEREAS: As the boys grew up and started families of their own, Patrick Jr. married Deborah, Ken married Karen, Pat became the proud grandfather of Ashley, Caitlin and Jake; and

WHEREAS: In 1956, Pat joined the Cambridge Police Department; he loved his profession and took great pride in being a public servant; he achieved the rank of Captain in 1983 and stayed with the Cambridge Police Department until he retired in 1988; and

WHEREAS: Pat was a lifelong learner and a natural teacher; he earned degrees from Northeastern University and the University of Massachusetts; and

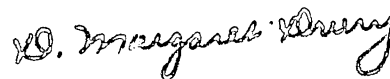
- WHEREAS: Remembering his own experiences as an immigrant, Pat identified with the Hispanic immigrants whose number in Cambridge grew substantially during the 1970's. In order to help these newcomers, as his immigrant family had been helped by Cambridge citizens, he taught himself Spanish and taught Spanish speakers English and citizenship preparation at classes held at St. Mary's for many years; and
- WHEREAS: Pat was a man of great intelligence, imagination, curiosity and optimism; he used these gifts to try to make a difference in all his endeavors; and
- WHEREAS: Pat loved his family, his community and his country, and all three were better for his love and service; and
- WHEREAS: Patrick Gregory Corcoran passed away on March 26, 2001, just a few days after the spring equinox; now therefore be it
- RESOLVED: That the City Council go on record dedicating the corner of Bay Street and Massachusetts Avenue as "**Captain Patrick Corcoran Square;**" and be it further
- RESOLVED: That the City Clerk be and hereby is requested to prepare a suitable resolution for presentation at the dedication ceremony on Saturday, October 20, 2001 on behalf of the entire City Council.

In City Council June 4, 2001.

Adopted by the affirmative vote of nine members.

Attest:- D. Margaret Drury, City Clerk.

A true copy;



ATTEST:-

D. Margaret Drury
City Clerk

W/A This day the City of Cambridge honors a dear, departed ~~adopted~~ son of Cambridge; and

W/A Patrick "Pat" Gregory Cochran was born ~~on~~ ~~the~~ on January 7, 1924 in Cork City, Ireland to Patrick G. and Mary Ann (O'Callahan) Cincoran, the oldest of their three children - Patrick, Bina and the late Richard ~~Pat~~ Cincoran; and

came to Squaw Creek,

W/A Patrick's family ~~moved to~~ Cambridge in 1928; the family moved to Elm Street, and Patrick attended St. Mary's Grammar School and Rindge Technical High School; and

W/A ~~After~~ ~~graduating from~~ high school in 1943, Patrick ~~was~~ enlisted in the Navy in 1943, the same year that he graduated from high school; he was stationed in the South Pacific on the aircraft carrier USS Cabot, which was in every major battle in the South Pacific; and

W/A ~~On~~ In 1948, at St. Catherine's Church in Somerville, Pat joined his heart and hand in Holy Matrimony with Margaret Mary ^{"Peg"} (Ford), the love of his life; and

W/A The marriage of Pat and Peg was blessed with

four fine sons, Patrick Jr., Kevin, Brian and Bill; and

w/r As the ^{boys} ~~children~~ grew up and started families of their own Pat became the proud grandfather of Ashley, Caitlin and Jake; and

w/r In 1956, Pat joined the Cambridge Police Department; he loved his profession and took great pride in ~~(of the)~~ being a public servant; ^{he} achieved the rank of Captain in 1983 and ~~stayed~~ ^{worked} with the Cambridge Police Department until he retired in 1988; and

w/r Pat was a lifelong learner and a natural teacher; he earned ~~the Cambridge~~ degrees from Northeastern University and the University of Massachusetts.

w/r Remembering his own experiences as an immigrant, Pat identified with the Hispanic immigrants whose ~~number~~ ^{number} in Cambridge ~~grew~~ grew substantially ~~in the~~ during the 1970's; in order to help these newcomers as his ^{immigrant} family had been helped by Cambridge citizens, he taught himself Spanish and taught Spanish speakers English and citizenship preparation at classes held at St. Mary's for many years; and

w/r Pat was a man of great ^{intelligence,} imagination, curiosity and optimism; he used these gifts to

try to make a difference in all his endeavors; and

W/A Pat loved his family, his community and his country, and all three were better for his love and service; and

W/A Patrick Gregory Curran passed away on March 26, 2001, just a few days after the spring equinox; now therefore be it

R: That the City Council go on record dedicating the corner of Bay Street and Massachusetts Avenue as "Captain Patrick Curran Square;" and be it further

R SEC your presentation at the dedication ceremony on Saturday, October 20, 2001

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Dedication Information

Full Name

Patrick Gregory Corkran

Important Nickname

Date + place of birth

Date of Death, if ~~not~~ applicable March 26, 2001

Full name of Spouse

Margaret Mary Ford

Date + Place of Marriage

St Catherine's Somerville
1948 divorced

Full names of children

4 sons

Brian

Patrick & Kevin, Bill

- Children's Spouses (optional)

Pat Deborah

Kern - Karen

How many

2

Grandchildren - names

(a total number if more

3

Pat's Ashley Carter
Kevin Jake

appropriate)

Great-grandchildren - names

(a total number if more)

Military service

Patrick

former Richard
Binn

Employment

Public relations
in charge of

Auxiliary Police
for mayors

Church / Community Involvement

former St Paul

very active in St Mary's

English
Church
Society

Hobbies / Special events or memories
Helping people made him a happy

Corcoran

Biography

Jan 7

Pat was born in Ireland in 1924 and came to Squires Ct in Cambridge in 1928. The family moved to Elm St where he attended St Mary's Grammar school and on to Rindge Tech where he graduated in 1943.

He enlisted in the navy in 1943, and, was stationed on an aircraft carrier Uss Cabot in the South Pacific. The "Cabot" was in every major battle in the South Pacific. He was discharged in 1945.

Pat joined the Camb. Police Dept in 1956. In the ensuing years he taught himself spanish and involved himself in the spanish community being helpful to them in any way he could.

He obtained degrees from Northeast^{of} Univ. and Univ. Mass -

He delighted in his family, and, never missed an opportunity to tell you about his four sons

He became Captain in 1983 and retired in 1988 after 32 years of service
He was committed to his community as a whole but most of all he relished his role as a civil servant

In all of his endeavors he tried to make a difference

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1932 - Cork City
Patrick G. Corcoran
Maryann O'Collins
Sister = Bina Corcoran

Imaginative, curiosity & optimism

1970's Spanish 1.0 as an immigrant

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Dear Corky
#420

Peg

loved his profession
as well as a
teacher
should be
life long learner



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RESOLVED: That the City Council dedicate an appropriate location to Captain Patrick Corcoran after consultation with the family; and be it further

RESOLVED: That a dedication ceremony be arranged by the Assistant to the City Council after consultation with family and an appropriate sign be made by the Public Works Department.

In City Council June 4, 2001.

Adopted by the affirmative vote of nine 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 style with a large, stylized "D" and "M".

D. Margaret Drury
City Clerk

MS 5/21 @ 7:35 for 6/3/01

dec v Co & - ~~the~~ v Capt Patrick Cronan

possible site
plaza + Green
western of Green

Councillor Sullivan

Resolved: That the City Council dedicate ~~appropriate~~ an appropriate to Capt Patrick Cronan after consultation with the family & let it further

Resolved That a dedication ceremony be arranged by the Assistant to the City Council after consultation with family & an appropriate sign be made by P.W.



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Order #13

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Councillor Sullivan

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