

Respect # 194 9/8/97

Whereas: It has come to the attention of this City Council that the Reverend Dale Cross is leaving his ministry at Metropolitan Baptist Church for the next chapter in his life; and

Whereas: Reverend Cross has ^{contributed} ~~given~~ ~~so~~ much to his congregation and his community, and ~~express~~ ~~has~~ ~~acted~~ been instrumental in the development of programs which benefit low income people; and

Whereas: Reverend Cross has been an active member of Cambridge Laity and Clergy for Affordable Housing; he was the key person to find the initial money to purchase 48 Harvey Street and brought together the coalition of Interfaith Action and Laity and Clergy for Affordable Housing to purchase this property and renovate it for occupancy by a low income family; and

Whereas: Reverend Cross has ~~been~~ staunchly and supported ~~and~~ continued the Metropolitan Baptist Church Saturday noon meals program which feeds 100 to 125 people each

week; and

Whereas: Reverend Cross is an active member of the Christian Economic Coalition which seeks to help low income persons in the areas of jobs and housing; and

Whereas: Reverend Cross ^{has been} is an inspirational organizer of his community ^{who has} ~~and has~~ ^{increased} the ability of the community to serve its most needy members; now therefore be it

Resolved: That the CEC go on record expressing its appreciation to ~~the~~ the Reverend Dale Cross for his contributions to the Cambridge community and its best wishes in his future endeavors, and be it further

Resolved: SEC to the Reverend Dale Cross on behalf of the entire C-CC

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this is back up material
for an order I put in
last wk to "prepare"
order for the Thanksgiving
Dole Cross on the
occasion of Leavell's
ministry @

Metropolitan Baptist
Church on Beech St.

Can you put together an
order for me to pick up
Tues. afternoon @ Sept 16

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Kathy Born
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- c) He was active in the planning and reorganization in expanding those involved in LCAH and in working to keep the coalition with IA healthy.

5) He is active (and perhaps again a founding member of Christian Economic Coalition which seeks to help low income people--with jobs and housing--Alice could tell more.

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7) Metropolitan Baptist has other programs benefiting the community --summer day camp. He has made the church's space available to a number of groups (including at least one important one he probably would not want publicized).

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From: Self <DIV/MSTUDIER>
 To: RWTobin@aol.com
 Subject: Dale's work in Cambridge
 Send reply to: margaret_studier@harvard.edu
 Date sent: Thu, 4 Sep 1997 16:41:19 -0500

Kathy Born
 497-4123

Bob,

These are the activities Dale Cross has generated and been involved in that I can think of at the moment:

- 1) He put fliers in mailboxes of Porter Square neighbors and organized meetings that led to:
 - a) Block parties on Orchard St. each summer --and these evolved into forming:
 - b) Porter Square Neighbors Association
 - c) the Affordable Housing Committee of the Porter Sq Neighbors Assoc. of which he was a member (These people worked on 48 Harvey St. project)
 - d) forming Interfaith Action, Inc.
- 2) He brought Millard Fuller to Cambridge and worked to try to form a Cambridge chapter of Habitat for Humanity.
- 3) He has been very active in Cambridge Clergy for Affordable Housing, now d/b/a Laity and Clergy for Affordable Housing
- 4) He was the key person find the initial money to purchase 48 Harvey St. and brought together the Coalition of LCAH-IA by inspiring the executive committee of IA to decide to become involved in purchasing and renovating 48 Harvey St. with LCAH.
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RESOLVED: That the City Council go on record expressing its appreciation to the **Reverend Dale Cross** for his contributions to the Cambridge community and its best wishes in his future endeavors; and be it further

RESOLVED: That the City Clerk be and hereby is requested to prepare a suitably engrossed copy of this resolution for presentation to Reverend Dale Cross on behalf of the entire City Council.

In City Council September 8, 1997.

Adopted by the affirmative vote of nine members.

Attest:- D. Margaret Drury, City Clerk.

A true copy;

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "D. Margaret Drury". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large, looping "D" and "y".

ATTEST:-

D. Margaret Drury
City Clerk

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Prepare resolution
congratulating Rev.
Dale Cross upon
his retirement as
Pastor of Metropolitan
Baptist Church.

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Consent Order #194

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Vice Mayor Born, Councillors Galluccio,
Duehay, Sullivan, Mayor Russell,
Councillors Reeves and Triantafillou
re: Congratulations to Rev. Dale Cross
upon his retirement as Pastor of
Metropolitan Baptist Church.

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