



City of Cambridge

20.

IN CITY COUNCIL

November 2, 1998

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

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WHEREAS: This special event was the culmination of efforts made by individuals from a variety of groups who joined together to help ease the financial burdens and provide a new beginning for citizens who have recently moved off the streets; and

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WHEREAS: Once in Cambridge the mattresses were unloaded by volunteers from Solutions at Work Furniture Bank, a homeless-led not-for-profit which distributes donated furniture to homeless people who find housing, and the Harvard University First Year Urban Program along with Teamster Joe Quigley from Local 25; and

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WHEREAS: Macy DeLong, Executive Director of Solutions at Work, would like to announce that donations can be made to the Furniture bank by calling 492-0330; now therefore be it

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Adopted by the affirmative vote of nine members.

Attest:- D. Margaret Drury, City Clerk.

A true copy;

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City Clerk

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Mayor Francis H. Duehay

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Consent Order #20

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Mayor Duehay re: congratulations to everyone who helped with the donation and delivery of 100 beds which were distributed to formerly homeless people who have found housing.

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ORDER ADOPTED