



City of Cambridge

10.

IN CITY COUNCIL

November 2, 1992

COUNCILLOR WOLF
COUNCILLOR DUEHAY
COUNCILLOR SULLIVAN
COUNCILLOR TOOMEY
COUNCILLOR WALSH

WHEREAS: Cambridge and Somerville Legal Services opened its doors in 1966 as the Community Legal Assistance Office under the federal government's "War on Poverty,"; and

WHEREAS: Cambridge Legal Services, our community's second legal services office, was created in 1967 as part of a broad-based, activist, local anti-poverty effort; and

WHEREAS: These two offices merged in 1971 to become incorporated as Cambridge and Somerville Legal Services (CASLS); and

WHEREAS: Cambridge and Somerville Legal Services has provided free legal council and representation of the highest quality to tens of thousands of low-income, disabled, and elder Cambridge residents; and

WHEREAS: Every year Cambridge and Somerville Legal Services assists 6,000 people with urgent legal problems of housing and homelessness, domestic violence, health care, public benefits, disability rights, and immigration and political asylum; and

WHEREAS: Cambridge and Somerville Legal Services has been the training ground for hundreds of law students who have been inspired and encouraged to pursue poverty law and public interest work; and

WHEREAS: In these times of extraordinary stress on poor people, the outstanding services of Cambridge and Somerville Legal Services is needed more than ever as CASLS confronts a significant increase in demand for its services; and

WHEREAS: The staff and board of Cambridge and Somerville Legal Services are dedicated to their community and serve it with fervor, even though their compensation is a fraction of the cost of their real worth and of the salary they could command in private practice; now therefore be it

RESOLVED: That the Cambridge City Council hereby reaffirms its requests that democratic decision-making and political freedom be supported at all levels of the South African government; and be it further

RESOLVED: That the City Clerk be and hereby is requested to forward suitably engrossed copies of this resolution to F. W. De Klerk, State President, Minister of Law and Order, the South African Police and Regional Commissioner, Ambassador Harry Heinz Schwarz, the Urgent Action Program Office and regional of Amnesty International.

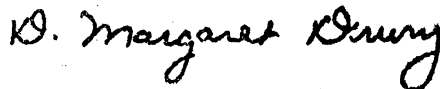
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Adopted by the affirmative vote of nine members.

Attest:- D. Margaret Drury, City Clerk.

A true copy;

ATTEST:-



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RESOLVED: That the City Council commends and applauds the outstanding work of Cambridge Somerville Legal Services on this, its 25th anniversary of providing concern and service to our community; and be it further

RESOLVED: That the City Council requests the support of all the citizens of Cambridge for CASLS; 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 at the gala 25th anniversary party on November 12, 1992.

CONSENT ORDER #10

Councillor Wolf re: 25th Anniversary of
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