



City of Cambridge

101.

IN CITY COUNCIL

September 8, 1997

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

WHEREAS: It has come to the attention of this City Council that the Just-A-Start Corporation will be conducting their Third Annual Walk for Affordable Housing, Education and Job Training and Decent Paying Jobs; and

WHEREAS: The aim of the walk is to raise private support for affordable housing and to build public awareness for the need for decent affordable housing, education, counselling, work training, school/job readiness training and placement; now therefore be it

RESOLVED: That this City Council go on record supporting the Just-A-Start Third Annual Walk to be held on October 4, 1997 and further urging all residents to be cognizant of and participate in this worthwhile event; and be it further

RESOLVED: That the City Clerk be and hereby is requested to forward a suitably engrossed copy of this resolution to Just-A-Start 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;

D. Margaret Drury

ATTEST:-

D. Margaret Drury
City Clerk

Councillor Sullivan

Councillor Gormey

Whereas:

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Resolved

Clear Copy to JAS.

Michael Sullivan

JUST A START CORPORATION

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MEMORANDUM

TO: Mayor Sheila Doyle Russell
City Manager Robert W. Healy
Cambridge City Council

FROM: Gordon Gottsche
Just A Start Corporation

DATE: August 27, 1997

RE: JAS WALK #3

On October 4, 1997, Just A Start is holding its third Annual Walk for Affordable Housing, Education and Job Training and Decent Paying Jobs.

Just A Start is now in its XXXth Program Year. We continue Training and Job/School Placement Programs, eight in all, that serve over 500 youth and adults each year. In Affordable Housing, our workload is on overdrive with First Time Homebuyers, Affordable Rental Housing (now with 443 apartments, of which 296 are in rehabilitation at this time), and the Cambridge Condominium Initiative, helping tenants to buy this type of ownership housing. In Home Improvement and Housing Stabilization, we continue to rehabilitate, in phases, 60-80 low-moderate income, occupied housing units each year, without economic gentrification. We have been able to successfully restructure our landlord-tenant services program into an early intervention and conflict resolution program. This replaces the former structure that Just A Start inherited from a closed out community development corporation. That program structure was based on a polarized grouping of landlords and tenants with a confrontational philosophy. This program is successful in preventing or otherwise resolving about 100 court evictions each year and serves over 200 tenants and owner each year.

We are hoping that you will join Just A Start in our third Walk. This is a relatively small event, bringing people from different backgrounds together for half a day. Besides raising private support, we hope to build more public awareness of the great needs for decent affordable housing, basic and solid education, counselling, work training, job/school readiness training and placements. Give the fact that the Metropolitan Boston Area is one of the highest cost of housing and living areas in the country, there is also a dire need for decent paying jobs with adequate fringe benefits. No one else seems to be addressing these issues.

I have enclosed our newest Walk Brochure, a Pledge Sheet and a Map. Registration starts at 9:00 a.m. The Walk takes about 1 1/2 hours, followed by food, music and awards for those who raise the most support in this event. We try to wrap up the event by 12:30-1 p.m.

Whether or not you can find funding support, we need you, and anyone you can bring with you, to participate in the Walk. It is a different world, walking around the Charles River Basin; a very different experience than driving a car on Storrow or Memorial Drives.

As we need to have an estimate of the number of participants, I will try to contact you in advance of the Walk.

Thank you for all you have done for Just A Start. I hope to see you on October 4th, rain or shine.

Enclosures

September 8, 1997

COUNCILLOR SULLIVAN

ORDERED: That the City Clerk prepare a suitable resolution on the occasion of Just A Start's 3rd Annual "Youth-on-the-Move 7K Walk" to be held on Saturday, October 4th at 9 A.M. at Walker Memorial Hall, MIT.

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