



City of Cambridge

Original Order
O-11
IN CITY COUNCIL

May 13, 2002

COUNCILLOR DECKER
VICE MAYOR DAVIS
COUNCILLOR GALLUCCIO
COUNCILLOR MAHER
COUNCILLOR MURPHY
COUNCILLOR REEVES
COUNCILLOR SIMMONS
MAYOR SULLIVAN
COUNCILLOR TOOMEY

WHEREAS: In the wake of September 11, spurred on by a climate of fear, the US Congress and Senate passed Attorney General Ashcroft's 350 page USA PATRIOT Act; and

WHEREAS: This act was enacted after less than one day of deliberation and **without** the support of Congressman Capuano; and

WHEREAS: This Act has a chilling effect on many aspects of life from denial of due process protections to immigrants, to using the new label of domestic terrorism to silence dissent, to assaults on rights to privacy and freedom from government surveillance; and

WHEREAS: While many people may feel uncomfortable with the general idea of the Act, most know little about its specific provisions nor their potential impact on our communities; and

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RESOLVED: That the Cambridge City Council lends its sponsorship to the CITYWIDE EDUCATION FORUM to be held on Tuesday, May 28 from 6:30 to 8:30, at the Cambridge Senior Citizens Center. State Representative Alice Wolf will moderate the event with an overview from Nancy Murray, coordinator for the ACLU Bill of Rights Project and member of the Cambridge Peace Commission; and be it further

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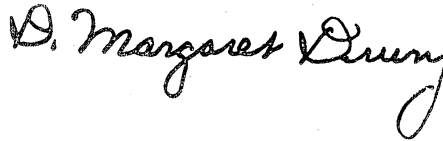
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Adopted as amended by the affirmative vote of eight members.

Attest:- D. Margaret Drury, City Clerk.

A true copy;

A handwritten signature in cursive script, reading "D. Margaret Drury".

ATTEST:-

D. Margaret Drury
City Clerk



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Urging Cambridge residents and city departments to attend the CityWide Education Forum and share their own experiences of the impact of the USA PATRION Act.

Councillor Decker

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