



City of Cambridge

19.

IN CITY COUNCIL

December 14, 1992

MAYOR REEVES
VICE MAYOR CYR
COUNCILLOR WALSH
COUNCILLOR WOLF

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WHEREAS: Human Rights abuses in Haiti including arrests, disappearances, torture and assassinations have escalated since the overthrow of President Jean Bertrand Aristide; and

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WHEREAS: There is a large and active community of Haitians and Haitian Americans in Cambridge and a long-standing friendship between Cambridge and the people of Haiti; and

WHEREAS: The only impact on human rights violations results from public attention and outcry, be it therefore

RESOLVED: That the Cambridge City Council urges the current Bush administration and the incoming administration of President Elect Clinton to take the following measures of support:

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2. Grant temporary status to Haitian refugees already in the United States including HIV positive refugees at Guantanamo Bay.
3. Take appropriate action by peaceful means to restore the democratically elected government of President Aristide immediately and unconditionally.
4. Take all measure to enforce the embargo decreed by the Organization of American States; and be it further

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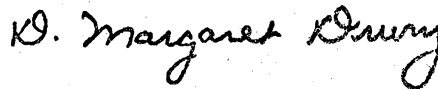
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Adopted by the affirmative vote of nine members.

Attest:- D. Margaret Drury, City Clerk.

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ATTEST:-



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CONSENT ORDER #19

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Mayor Reeves re: Anniversary of Haitian
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