



City of Cambridge

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IN CITY COUNCIL

October 5, 1998

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

WHEREAS: The Cambridge Sisters Program was founded by Julia Perez in 1993 to create a model environment to support the social and academic development of a small, but very diverse, group of girls in grades 5 through 8 in the Cambridge Public Schools during the extended day and all Summer; and

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WHEREAS: The members of the Leadership Project will be expected to take seriously their responsibilities to study the institutions of civic life, especially the Cambridge Public School system, and make formal analyses and recommendations regarding their experiences; now therefore be it

RESOLVED: The Cambridge City Council approves the formal commissioning of the following girls as members of the city's Young Women's Commission: Anusha Anukanth, Anajulia Kennedy, Julianne Liberus, Cherelle McMillan, Sacha Roque, Justine Sheffield, Mia Velasquez, Eliza Melendez; and be it further

RESOLVED: The Cambridge City Council congratulates the parents, guardians and families of these girls for their commitment to making their schools and communities stronger and healthier places for other girls and all children and families to thrive; and be it further

RESOLVED: That the City Clerk be and hereby is requested to forward a suitably engrossed copy of this resolution to each of the newly ordained members of the Young Women's Commission.

In City Council October 5, 1998.

Adopted by the affirmative vote of nine members.

Attest:- D. Margaret Drury, City Clerk.

A true copy;



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October 1, 1998

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Consent Order #32

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Mayor Duehay re: congratulations to the new
members of the City's Young Women's Commission.

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ORDER ADOPTED