

RESOLVED: That the City Clerk be and hereby is requested to forward a suitably engrossed copy of the resolution to Mrs. Constance Furcolo and the Willie Ross School for the Deaf on behalf of the entire City Council.

In City Council September 9, 2002.

Adopted by the affirmative vote of seven members.

Attest:- D. Margaret Drury, City Clerk.

A true copy;

D. Margaret Drury

ATTEST:-

D. Margaret Drury
City Clerk



City of Cambridge

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IN CITY COUNCIL

September 9, 2002

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

WHEREAS: On Tuesday, September 10, 2002, the Willie Ross School for the Deaf, Longmeadow, Massachusetts, will dedicate their Student Center in honor of former Governor and First Lady Foster and Constance Furcolo; and

WHEREAS: This student center provides needed additional instructional space and common dining space for the more than seventy students, as well as faculty and staff of the school; and

WHEREAS: The Willie Ross School for the Deaf was conceived in 1967 by parents and guardians of deaf and hard-of-hearing children who recognized a need for a learning environment that would best address their children's necessity for early language acquisition, as well as provide them with a safe place to grow, learn, and socialize; and

WHEREAS: The Willie Ross School has been a leader throughout the Commonwealth of Massachusetts in preparing and training public schools, and their teachers, staff, and administrators, for the integration of students who are deaf and hard-of-hearing, and

WHEREAS: Longmeadow, Massachusetts was once the home of Governor and Mrs. Furcolo and they were able to see first-hand the difference that the Willie Ross School for the Deaf has made in the lives of the students and families; and

WHEREAS: Governor and Mrs. Furcolo, like the school's founding parents in 1967, recognized the importance of this learning environment and through her generosity, and in memory of her late husband, Mrs. Constance Furcolo has graciously seen fit to assist the school in the opening of its new student center; now therefore be it

RESOLVED: That the City Council go on record commending Mrs. Constance Furcolo on her commitment to the Willie Ross School for the Deaf and acknowledge its fitting tribute to the late Governor Foster Furcolo; and be it further

RESOLVED: That the City Council go on record congratulating the students of the Willie Ross School for the Deaf, as well as the faculty, staff, and administration, on the dedication of the Governor and Mrs. Furcolo Student Center; and be it further

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Congratulating the students of the Willie Ross School for the Deaf, as well as the faculty, staff, and administration, on the dedication of the Governor and Mrs. Furcolo Student Center.

Vice Mayor Davis and entire membership

In City Council September 9, 2002

ORDER ADOPTED.