

City of Cambridge

Councillor Crane

In City Council,
January 25, 1971.

WHEREAS:-

On Friday, January 22, 1971 Representative Thomas P. O'Neill, Jr. was chosen by Majority Leader Hale Boggs as House Democratic Whip, the third most important office in the House of Representatives, and

WHEREAS:-

Representative Thomas P. O'Neill of Massachusetts has had an outstanding legislative career since 1936 when elected by his neighbors in North Cambridge and the Third Middlesex District to represent them in the Great and General Court at Beacon Hill, and

WHEREAS:-

His outstanding qualities of leadership resulted in his Election as Speaker of the Massachusetts House of Representatives, a post he held from 1948 thru 1952 when he succeeded the late President John F. Kennedy as our Cambridge Congressman, and

WHEREAS:-

The life of Thomas P. O'Neill is a success story in the best American tradition, beginning with his career as a caddie at the age of twelve when he travelled by streetcar and foot many miles to the Arlmont Country Club, and during this period developed a love for the game of golf, becoming later a member of the Fresh Pond Golf Course (sporty 9-hole Munie) where he enjoyed this pastime with a long list of illustrious members, including The Aga Khan, David Rockefeller, Ethel Waters and the late Congressman-Judge Arthur D. Healey, and today, despite the pressure of his legislative duties he is still an avid but frustrated member of the golfing fraternity, forsaking the Tournaments for "Pasture-Pool" exercise, and

WHEREAS:-

Thomas P. O'Neill has had a varied career including service in the Treasurer's Office of the City of Cambridge and Election (1945) to the School Committee of Cambridge, and

WHEREAS:-

His loyalty and gratitude are only matched by his pride in the success of his family, native city, our Commonwealth, the Nation and his friends including the modest immediate past Speaker of the House of Representatives, Hon. John W. McCormack who guided the young Congressman thru the pathways of Washington politics, the oldest profession, consisting of the acts of men and women in their daily lives, be it in the private or public sector of our society, and

City of Cambridge

WHEREAS:-

After reciting a list of Representative O'Neill's qualifications, Majority Leader Hale Boggs concluded: "And finally, as you all must know, "Tip" O'Neill is almost universally well-liked in this House"

RESOLVED:-

That the City Council of Cambridge happily congratulates our Congressman in his latest honor/promotion and salutes "Tip The Whip", and be it further

RESOLVED:-

That the City Clerk be and hereby is directed to forward a copy of this resolution to Congressman Thomas P. O'Neill and his family at 26 Russell Street.

In City Council January 25, 1971.

Adopted by a unanimous vote.

Attest:-

R. J. Healey
City Clerk.

20

RESOLUTIONS

Congressman Thomas P. O'Neill, Jr.

January 25, 1971