



City of Cambridge

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Calendar Item # 3
IN CITY COUNCIL

COUNCILLOR SULLIVAN
COUNCILLOR RUSSELL
COUNCILLOR WALSH

~~-February 11, 1991~~
February 25, 1991

- WHEREAS: Although the right of free expression is part of the foundation of the United States Constitution, very carefully drawn limits on expression in specific instances have long been recognized as legitimate means of maintaining public safety and decency, as well as orderliness and productive value of public debate; and
- WHEREAS: Certain actions, although arguably related to one person's free expression, nevertheless raise issues concerning public decency, public peace, and the rights of expression and sacred values of others; and
- WHEREAS: There are symbols of our national soul such as the Washington Monument, the United States Capitol Building, and memorials to our greatest leaders, which are the property of every American and are therefore worthy of protection from desecration and dishonors; and
- WHEREAS: The American Flag to this day is a most honorable and worthy banner of a nation which is thankful for its strengths and committed to curing its faults, and remains the destination of millions of immigrants attracted by the universal power of the American ideal; and
- WHEREAS: The law as interpreted by the United States Supreme Court no longer accords to the Stars and Stripes that reverence, respect, and dignity befitting the banner of that most noble experiment of a nation-state; and
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- RESOLVED: That copies of this resolution be transmitted to the Speaker of the U.S. House of Representatives, the President of the United States and all members of the Congressional Delegation from the Commonwealth of Massachusetts.

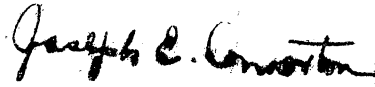
In City Council February 25, 1991.

Failed of adoption by a yea and nay vote:-

Yeas 4; Nays 5; Absent 0.

ATTEST:- Joseph E. Connarton, City Clerk.

A true copy;

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Joseph E. Connarton". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large initial "J".

ATTEST:-

Joseph E. Connarton
City Clerk

City of Cambridge

MASSACHUSETTS

In City Council

Feb. 25

1991

C. Walsh -

Moved Roll Call on Charter Right #3

As moved by Councilor Russell

	YEA	NAY	ABSENT	PRESENT
Mr. Ed Cyr		✓		
Mr. Francis H. Duehay		✓		
Mr. Jonathan S. Myers		✓		
Mr. Kenneth E. Reeves		✓		
Mrs. Sheila T. Russell	✓			
Mr. Walter J. Sullivan	✓			
Mr. Timothy J. Toomey, Jr.	✓			
Mr. William H. Walsh	✓			
Mayor Alice K. Wolf		✓		

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CHARTER RIGHT EXERCISED BY COUNCILLOR MYERS.

Marsh Post No. 442, Inc.

The American Legion

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CAMBRIDGE, MASSACHUSETTS 02138
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*Councilman Sullivan
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RESOLUTION

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MARSH POST #442, A. L.

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Order # 34

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Councillor Sullivan and Russell re:
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