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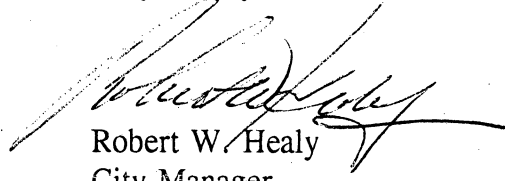


October 27, 1997

To The Honorable, The City Council:

Please find attached for your information, a communication from City Arborist Larry Acosta, relative to the inception of the City of Cambridge Commemorative Tree Program.

Very truly yours,


Robert W. Healy
City Manager

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September 24, 1997

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Dear Mr. Healy:

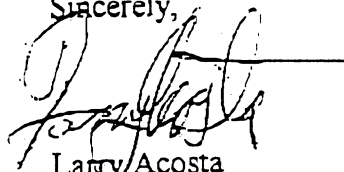
This letter is to advise you of the inception of the City of Cambridge's Commemorative Tree Program. This program is aimed at helping to beautify the community and provide a lasting means for remembering a loved one or commemorating an important event. Administered by the Department of Public Works, the Commemorative Tree Program helps anyone purchase and plant a tree on City-owned property.

Tree plantings will be done in conjunction with the spring and fall Client Tree Planting Contract. The cost of \$200 will include the purchase price of the tree and a tasteful numbered marker inserted in the soil at the planting site. A handsome leather bound journal of all the commemorative trees will be kept in a convenient public location for easy viewing. A letter and certificate will be sent to each donor.

The program will be kicked off by two commemorative plantings this fall. A press release is being prepared for the official spring opening of the program.

If you have any questions regarding the Commemorative Tree Program please contact me.

Sincerely,


 Larry Acosta
 City Arborist

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PRESS RELEASE

The City has adopted a new program aimed at helping beautify the community and providing a lasting means for remembering a loved one or an important event. Administered by the Department of Public Works, and coordinated through the Urban Forestry Division, the Commemorative Tree Program helps anyone plant a tree on City-owned property.

The cost of a Commemorative Tree is \$200. Call the Committee on Public Planting at 617-349-6433 and leave your name, address, and zip code and you will receive an application for the program in the mail. Please indicate that your request is for the Commemorative Tree Program. The species selection will be made from the Client Tree Program list developed by the Committee on Public Planting. Your City Arborist will approve both the site and species selection. A letter and a handsome certificate of notification along with a tasteful numbered marker inserted in the soil at the tree site are included. Also included is a registry of commemorative trees kept in a conveniently located place for public viewing.

Apart from the environmental benefits that trees provide, in one year a mature tree can absorb as much carbon as is produced by a car driven 26,000 miles. Trees can be part of the living memory of our past.

A communication from City Arborist
Larry Acosta, relative to the
inception of the City of Cambridge
Commemorative Tree Program.

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