



City of Cambridge

R-82.

IN CITY COUNCIL

August 4, 2003

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

WHEREAS: This City Council was deeply saddened at learning of the death of Ronald Emerson Burns; and

WHEREAS: Ronald was a graduate of Princeton University; and

WHEREAS: Ronald was the inventor of a key tool used in cancer research, an accurate computer-based X-ray detector for molecular analysis which provided a technological leap for the science of X-ray crystallography; and

WHEREAS: Ronald started a Cambridge firm called Xentronics which manufactured the detector; and

WHEREAS: After successfully marketing his invention, Ronald dedicated his time to becoming an accomplished aerobatic pilot and instructor; and

WHEREAS: Ronald's passing will leave a void in the lives of all his surviving family, his wife Janet Burns; his son Jason Burns; and his granddaughter Ripley Burns; and

WHEREAS: Ronald will be sorely missed by all he touched and loved; now therefore be it

RESOLVED: That this City Council go on record extending its deepest sympathy to the family of Ronald Emerson Burns at this time of such personal loss; and be it further

RESOLVED: That the City Clerk be and hereby is requested to forward a suitably engrossed copy of this resolution to the Burns family on behalf of the entire City Council.

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Adopted by the affirmative vote of nine members.

Attest:- D. Margaret Drury, City Clerk.

A true copy;

ATTEST:-

A handwritten signature in cursive script, reading "D. Margaret Drury".

D. Margaret Drury
City Clerk

R2955

RESOLUTION#82

Resolution on the death of Ronald
Emerson Burns.

**Mayor Sullivan and entire
membership**

In City Council August 4, 2003

ORDER ADOPTED