

- Officer Jason Andrews, Windham (ME) Police Dept.
- EMT John Georges, Boston EMS
- Officer Jerry Roche, Billerica Police Dept.
- Paul Bryant, former Air Marshal, Dept of Homeland Security
- Officer Javier Pagan, GLBT Liaison, Boston Police Dept.
- Robert Aldrich, Programs Manager, Office of Campus Safety, Phillips Exeter Academy
- Firefighter Alishia Ouellette, Danvers Fire Dept.
- Officer Pam Besold, Ballistics Unit, Boston Police Dept.
- Trooper Kristan Peachey, GLBT Liaison, Massachusetts State Police;

now therefore be it

RESOLVED: That the members of the Cambridge City Council express their heartfelt appreciation to the outstanding professionals of GOAL/NE for making a difference in the professional and personal minds and hearts of law enforcement personnel, thereby allowing them to provide inclusive, educated, sensitive, and appropriate service to all constituents they protect and serve – including the GLBT community; and therefore be it further

RESOLVED: That the City Clerk be and hereby is requested to forward a suitably engrossed copy of this resolution to all above noted members of GOAL/NE on behalf of the entire City Council.

In City Council June 9, 2008.

Adopted by the affirmative vote of seven members.

Attest:- D. Margaret Drury, City Clerk.

A true copy;



ATTEST:-

D. Margaret Drury
City Clerk



City of Cambridge

R-21.

IN CITY COUNCIL

June 9, 2008

MAYOR SIMMONS
COUNCILLOR DAVIS
COUNCILLOR DECKER
COUNCILLOR KELLEY
COUNCILLOR MAHER
VICE MAYOR MURPHY
COUNCILLOR REEVES
COUNCILLOR SEIDEL
COUNCILLOR TOOMEY

WHEREAS: GOAL/NE (Gay Officers Action League of New England), was created as a social and community organization comprised of current and former criminal justice system employees. It functions as a support group for gay, lesbian, bisexual and transgender (GLBT) sworn law enforcement officers as well as civilian employees of federal, state and local agencies. Of course, in 1991, that statement was very radical and frightened most of the people that would have been interested in such an organization. However, time proved that there were many brave heroes and heroines within the New England law enforcement community willing to risk losing everything in order to reach out to their "family." Some of the first meetings found only a small handful of people sharing and wondering what the future would hold. Because of those few brave professionals, today GOAL/NE is a thriving organization that not only offers support to its members, but provides extensive support and training to criminal justice professionals across New England; and

WHEREAS: The organization provides peer support to members and serves as a forum for members to share their knowledge and experience and to discover solutions to problems faced by members and agencies. The organization also supports members struggling with issues such as coming out at work. GOAL sponsors social events where members enjoy the camaraderie of other criminal justice employees; and

WHEREAS: The Cambridge Police Department was able to honor its commitment to providing comprehensive state of the art training to all law enforcement personnel with the professional trainings and support provided by GOAL/NE; and

WHEREAS: The following GOAL NE members have given generously of their time, energy, and commitment to protect and serve both the public and their fellow law enforcement colleagues:

- Robert Aldrich, Programs Manager, Office of Campus Safety, Phillips Exeter Academy
- Jim Gilmore, Director, Office of Campus Safety, Phillips Exeter Academy
- Sergeant Lorraine Busconi-Cambria, retired, Massachusetts State Police (GLBT Liaison)

RESOLUTION #21

Appreciation to the professionals of
Gay Officers Action League of
New England (GOAL/NE) for their
contributions to law enforcement
personnel

**Mayor Simmons and entire
membership**

**In City Council
June 9, 2008**

ORDER ADOPTED