

- WHEREAS: Firefighters Michael A. Donovan and Patrick E. Haggerty are being awarded the Department's Commendation for their action on December 4, 2001. The firefighters while off duty came upon a tragic scene involving a child struck by a truck. Their valiant attempts to save the child's life were in the highest traditions of the department; and
- WHEREAS: Members of Engine 3: Firefighters David L. George, Victor M. Clarke, William Dusablon and Captain Robert N. Dunn along with Members of Ladder 2: Firefighters William E. Lavin, Robert H. Degou, Patrick E. Haggerty, Jeremy R. Collins and Lieutenant William C. Hugh are all being awarded the Department's Commendation for their actions on February 9, 2002. While under extreme condition at 0353 hours these firefighters prevented severe loss by effective placement of a hose line and ground ladders to safely remove occupants who were huddled in a window; and
- WHEREAS: Firefighters Richard F. Shea, Michael Clinton and Lieutenant Alan F. Johnson are being awarded the Department's Commendation for their actions June 26, 2002. While enroute to another incident they came across a building on fire. Simultaneously, Cambridge Police Officers were in the very same building. The quick action of the firefighters resulted in the safeguarding of the citizens as well as the Cambridge Police Officers; and
- WHEREAS: Firefighter John "Spike" Lawless is being presented the Distinguished Service Award. Firefighter Lawless has faithfully served the Department since 1973. Throughout his career he has always been available to help his fellow comrades and their families during their time of need. Spike created and directs the Members Assistance Program for the Professional Firefighters of Massachusetts. He has also led Critical Incident Stress Debriefing teams in both Worcester in 1999 and at the World Trade Center in September 2001; and
- WHEREAS: The award ceremony will take place on Saturday, January 11, 2003 at 2:00 p.m. in the Sanders Theatre at Harvard University; now therefore be it
- RESOLVED: That the City Council go on record congratulating these outstanding firefighters and thank them for their continued daily heroism and wish them continued success in the future; and be it further
- RESOLVED: That the City Clerk be and hereby is requested to forward a suitably engrossed copy of the resolution to the each of the Firefighters on behalf of the entire City Council.

In City Council December 16, 2002.

Adopted by the affirmative vote of nine members.

Attest:- D. Margaret Drury, City Clerk.

A true copy;

D. Margaret Drury

ATTEST:-

D. Margaret Drury
City Clerk



City of Cambridge

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IN CITY COUNCIL

December 16, 2002

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

- WHEREAS: The men and women of the Cambridge Fire Department do all they can to protect and serve the Cambridge community; and
- WHEREAS: The Cambridge Fire Department will be holding a Medal ceremony for its outstanding firefighters, who have performed over and above the call of duty; and
- WHEREAS: Firefighter Matthew E. Ansello is being presented the James F. Dalton-Matthew L. Fairbairn Medal for his heroic actions on November 28, 2001. While off duty he entered a burning building and effected a primary search for a trapped elderly female; and
- WHEREAS: Firefighter Edwin Cruz is being presented the Department's Roll of Merit for his action of May 13, 2001. While off duty he initiated a search of a four-story building prior to the arrival of fire department units; and
- WHEREAS: Firefighters Kenneth W. Souza, Thomas F. Cahill and Lieutenant Thomas G. Cauchon will be presented the Department's Roll of Merit. On June 28, 2001, these firefighters utilized their expert confined space training to effect the successful rescue of a 16 year old female who had fallen approximately 50 feet to the bottom of the structure; and
- WHEREAS: Captain Daniel J. Turner is being presented the Department's Roll of Merit and Captain Gerard E. Mahoney is being presented the Department's Commendation. These firefighters are being recognized for their actions on June 15, 2002 while responding to an explosion. Captain Turner entered the building to search for victims and conduct a primary search. Captain Mahoney cleared civilians and construction workers from the scene and directed arriving companies into the area; and
- WHEREAS: Firefighter Joseph W. Thorp and Lieutenant Brian M. O'Regan are being presented the Department's Commendation for their actions on May 19, 2001. The firefighters, while performing a fire detail in an adjacent building, noticed a fire involving a large dumpster and the six-story trash chute feeding it. They were able to keep the fire in check and evacuate the construction site; and

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RESOLUTION #10

Congratulating the winners of the
4th Annual Cambridge Fire Medal
Day.

**Councillor Toomey and entire
membership**

In City Council December 16, 2002

ORDER ADOPTED.