

ARMENIAN MARTYRS' DAY

in the City of Cambridge and urges all people around the world to remember genocide of the Armenian people that was perpetrated by the Ottoman Turks; 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 Armenian National Committee of Eastern Massachusetts on behalf of the entire City Council.

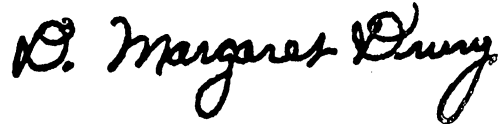
In City Council April 12, 2004.

Adopted by the affirmative vote of nine members.

Attest:- D. Margaret Drury, City Clerk.

A true copy;

ATTEST:-

A handwritten signature in black ink, reading "D. Margaret Drury". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large, stylized "D" and "M".

D. Margaret Drury
City Clerk



City of Cambridge

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IN CITY COUNCIL

April 12, 2004

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

WHEREAS: Between 1915 and 1923, the Ottoman Turks carried out a genocide campaign that led to the extermination of 1,500,000 Armenians and the deportation of countless other Armenians; and

WHEREAS: During the genocide, Armenians were forced to witness the rape, mutilation and slaughter of their families, the desecration of their churches, the looting of their personal property, the dispossession of their real property and the loss of their ancestral homeland; and

WHEREAS: The ancestral homeland of the Armenian people taken by the Ottoman Turks has not been returned to the Armenian people, nor have Armenians received compensation for their losses; and

WHEREAS: The denial of the genocide by modern Turkey dishonors the memory of the forefathers of all living Armenians; and

WHEREAS: Armenians have traditionally designated April 24th as Armenian Martyrs' Day in recognition and remembrance of those who perished during the genocide; and

WHEREAS: The year 2004 marks the 89th anniversary of the genocide; and

WHEREAS: It is of utmost importance to remember the past so that its atrocities are not repeated; now therefore be it

RESOLVED: That this City Council declares April 24, 2004 as

RESOLUTION #74

Declare April 24, 2004 as Armenian
Martyrs' Day in the City of
Cambridge and urge people around
the world to remember the genocide
of the Armenia people.

**Mayor Sullivan and entire
membership**

In City Council April 12, 2004

ORDER ADOPTED