

WHEREAS: Memorial Day will be observed on Monday, May 26, 2003, with a parade exiting the Cambridge Common at 9:30 AM, followed by a memorial observance at the Cambridge Cemetery; now therefore be it

RESOLVED: That the Council go on record strongly urging all Cantabrigians to pause on Memorial Day, and everyday, to remember and pay tribute to our nation's defenders, living and deceased, for their service and devotion to our country.

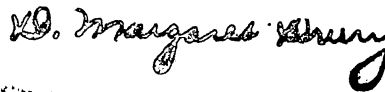
In City Council June 2, 2003.

Adopted by the affirmative vote of nine members.

Attest:- D. Margaret Drury, City Clerk.

A true copy;

ATTEST:-

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read "D. Margaret Drury", written in a cursive style.

D. Margaret Drury
City Clerk



City of Cambridge

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IN CITY COUNCIL

June 2, 2003

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

WHEREAS: Memorial Day has traditionally been one of the most solemn and patriotic days for Americans. Rightfully so. Memorial Day is a day when all Americans, regardless of ideologies, race, creed, or political persuasion, join together to remember the sacrifices of those who answered their nation's call; and

WHEREAS: The significance of this day is sometimes confused or distorted. The true meaning of Memorial Day becomes at times, distant or vague, lost to commercialism, or drowned in forgetful indulgence. Sometimes, there is a failure to recognize the magnitude of the deeds of the men and women who held true to the notion that evil and tyranny must not prevail; and

WHEREAS: It is our sacred duty to keep the legacy of our nation's patriots forever fresh in the memories of future generations. They fought and died to preserve this land of hopes and dreams. Without the courage, valor and singleness of purpose of our nation's veterans, the values that have always made it possible for us to meet new challenges, and move forward as a nation, would have been lost; and

WHEREAS: The freedoms that so many Americans enjoy did not come cheaply. They were paid for with the flesh and blood of American servicemen and women, and with the tears of those whose lives were changed forever by the loss of a loved one;

WHEREAS: Today, as we are engaged in a Global War on Terrorism and the liberation of the Iraqi people, let us pause and remember the men and women of our armed services who have served in these conflicts and have made the supreme sacrifice in defending our democratic way of life; and

WHEREAS: Memorial Day is a day of opportunity to give thanks for all that we are blessed with. It should also be a day that we rededicate ourselves to our country and to America's living veterans and their families in memory of the sacrifices they and others have made; and

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RESOLUTION #15

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**Councillor Toomey and entire
membership**

In City Council June 2, 2003

ORDER ADOPTED.