



City of Cambridge

27.

Calendar Item # 3

IN CITY COUNCIL

~~April 11, 1994~~

April 25, 1994

COUNCILLOR TRIANTAFILLOU
COUNCILLOR DUEHAY

WHEREAS: The City of Cambridge is dedicated to the rights and privileges of all of its citizens; and

WHEREAS: The City of Cambridge has passed an ordinance protecting the rights of Lesbian and Gay Citizens in particular; and

WHEREAS: It is a fundamental right of all citizens to receive information that will protect their health and encourage their growth as fully integrated and healthy human beings; and

WHEREAS: U.S. Representative Joseph Kennedy has recently voted in Congress for two amendments to the Education Reform Act; and

WHEREAS: U.S. Representative Joseph Kennedy voted to halt all federal aid to schools that do not "continuously" teach abstinence as the only effective protection against AIDS and unwanted pregnancy; and

WHEREAS: U.S. Representative Joseph Kennedy voted to deny federal aid to schools that have the effect or purpose of "encouraging or supporting homosexuality as a positive lifestyle.." essentially preventing guidance counselors from even referring a student to a teen peer counseling group which affirms homosexuality; and

WHEREAS: The effect of such a vote is to deny help to gay and lesbian youth who may need assistance in understanding and working through their sexuality; and further impede the efforts necessary to slow the spread of AIDS in American's youth; and

WHEREAS: Such a vote suggests to the public that lesbian and gay families are unworthy of support or encouragement as a positive part of life in America; now therefore be it

RESOLVED: That the City Council express its astonishment and displeasure that our Congressional Representative would attempt to negate all the positive work that has been accomplished in making sure that lesbian and gay citizens, including lesbian and gay youth, are treated with dignity and respect and authorize the City Clerk to send a copy of this Resolution to the Representative with a request for a response forthwith.

**4/25/94 NO ACTION HAVING BEEN TAKEN ON THIS MATTER THIS
ITEM WAS - PLACED ON FILE UNDER RULE NINETEEN OF THE CITY
COUNCIL RULES.**



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CHARTER RIGHT WAS EXERCISED BY COUNCILLOR BORN.

Resolution #10

Councilor Triantafyllou
April 7, 1994

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Whereas, such a vote suggests to the public that lesbian and gay families are unworthy of support or encouragement as a positive part of life in America;

Now therefore, be it resolved, that the City Council express its astonishment and disapproval that our Congress and Representative would attempt to negate all the positive work that has been accomplished in making sure that lesbian and gay citizens, including lesbian and gay youth, are treated with dignity and respect and authorize the City Clerk to send a copy of this Resolution to the Representative with a request for a response forthwith.



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Anchay, Reeves

Consent Order #27

R-283

Councillor Triantafillou re:
Two amendments to the Education
Reform Act.

*Charter right was
exercised by Councillor*

BORN

*4/25/94 - No action taken
placed on full under
Rule 19 of the City*

In City Council, Council

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Rules