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Councillor Graham

Sept. 12, 1988

Whereas:

Volunteering⁽¹⁸⁾ has always been a valued resource for many public, private and religious organizations which utilize this concept as a means to augment their staffs without increasing cost and

Whereas:

These individuals often go unnoticed for their long and dedicated service to a particular cause, issue or charity, most times providing not only physical support but personal monetary support as well, and

whereas:

Long-time Cambridge resident George Bennett is one such person who, twenty-five years ago, when ~~the~~ the Saint Paul's A.M.E. Church was attempting to develop a budget and series of church programs, he organized a group of concerned friends and neighbors in an effort to form an organization which would provide both short and long term support to the church, and

whereas:

through the vision of George Bennett "the Pansetters" a fund raising mechanism for the

Church was ~~still~~ located and still
 flourishes today, raising funds by
 sponsoring trips and carnivals and through
 these events the Presetters have contributed
 nearly \$30,000 to Saint Paul's for the
 purchase of chairs, hymnals, carpets etc.
 and therefore be it

Resolved:

That the City Council go on record
 extending its deep appreciation and gratitude
 to Mr. George Bennett for his understanding,
 service and loyalty to the people of
 Saint Paul's A.M.E. Church throughout the

the years, and be it further
Resolved:

That the City Clerk be and
hence is requested to ^{forward} prepare a
sustainable ^{expressed} copy of this ^{or} ^{George} resolution
on behalf of the entire City Council

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not Chuck

PROFILE OF THE PACESETTERS

TWENTY-FIVE YEARS AGO UNDER THE PASTORATE OF REV. MARCEL BROOMS, ST. PAUL WAS IN DIRE NEED OF MANY THINGS THAT THE ORGANIZATIONS WHO WERE STRUGGLING TO RAISE THEIR ANNUAL BUDGET COULD NOT AFFORD TO PURCHASE. GEORGE BENNETT A MEMBER OF THE CHURCH SAW A NEED FOR AN OUTSIDE ORGANIZATION TO HELP THE CHURCH AND TO CONTRIBUTE TO THE COMMUNITY. HE CALLED SEVERAL PERSONS TOGETHER AT HIS HOME TO DISCUSS THIS PROBLEM. OUT OF THIS MEETING, THE PACESETTERS WAS BORN AND IS STILL VERY ACTIVE. WE HAVE WORKED UNDER THE REV. BROOMS, REV. CAMPBELL, REV. BRYANT, REV. BRANDON AND REV. ATTLES AND THEY HAVE BEEN VERY SUPPORTIVE THROUGH THE YEARS.

WE RAISE FUNDS BY SPONSORING TRIPS. OUR FIRST TRIP TO MONTREAL, CANADA WAS SUCH A SUCCESS THAT IT INSPIRED EVERYONE TO A POINT OF WANTING TO DO SOMETHING BIGGER. THE BIG EVENT WAS SPONSORING A CARNIVAL FOR A WEEK IN THE FRESH POND PARKING AREA. WE WERE OVERWHELMED WITH THE SUCCESS ESPECIALLY WHEN MR. PINA OWNER OF THE CARNIVAL TOLD US THAT FOR ALL THE YEARS HE HAS BEEN OPERATING CARNIVALS, HE HAS NEVER HAD A GROUP WORK AS HARD AS WE DID AND AT THE END OF THE WEEK WE WERE ONLY ONE PENNY SHORT AND WE FELT VERY PROUD.

OUR MAIN PURPOSE IS TO HELP ST. PAUL A.M.E. CHURCH AND THE COMMUNITY. WE HAVE SENT CHILDREN TO CAMP, GIVEN TO POLITICAL CAMPAIGNS AND SCHOLARSHIP FUNDS AND HAVE DONATED ALMOST \$30,000.00 TO ST. PAUL PURCHASING CHAIRS, HYMNALS, CARPETS, OFFICE FURNITURE, REFRIGATOR, DISHES, SILVERWARE, KITCHEN CABINETS, STORAGE ROOM, BOOK CABINET AND DONATED TO THE ORGAN FUND AND THE BUILDING FUND.

OUR FIRST PRESIDENT WAS GOERGE BENNETT.

OUR PRESENT OFFICERS ARE PAUL COOK, PRESIDENT; LILLIAN MOORE, VICE-PRESIDENT; AUDREY B. INCE, SECRETARY AND HAS BEEN THE SECRETARY FOR THE TWENTY-FIVE YEARS; AND HELEN (BETTY) STEVERSON, TREASURER AND ANITA CLARK, CHAPLAIN.

WE STILL HAVE EIGHT CHARTER MEMBERS WITH THE CLUB. GEORGE AND OLGA BENNETT, AUDREY B. INCE, OPLE JOHNSON, LOUISE LAYNE, MELVIN AND LILLIAN MOORE AND HELEN STEVERSON.

WE HOPE TO BE ABLE TO WORK AND SERVE FOR MANY MORE YEARS.

Louise Lane
45 Maple St
C 39

Sept 17th

anniversary is Sept 17 88
at 6 P.M.



City of Cambridge

COUNCILLOR GRAHAM

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IN CITY COUNCIL

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- WHEREAS: Volunteerism has always been a valued resource for many public, private and religious organizations which utilize the concept as a means to augment their staffs without increasing cost; and
- WHEREAS: These individuals often go unnoticed for their long and dedicated service to a particular cause, issue or charity, most times providing not only physical support but personal monetary support as well; and
- WHEREAS: Long-time Cambridge resident George Bennett is one such person who, twenty-five years ago when the Saint Paul's A.M.E. Church was attempting to develop a budget and series of Church programs, organized a group of concerned friends and neighbors in an effort to form an organization which would provide both short and long-term support to the Church; and
- WHEREAS: Through the vision of George Bennett, "The Pacesetters", a fundraising mechanism for the Church, was created and still flourishes today, raising funds by sponsoring trips and carnivals, and through these events The Pacesetters have contributed nearly \$30,000. to Saint Paul's for the purchase of chairs, hymnals, carpets, etc.; now therefore be it
- RESOLVED: That this City Council go on record extending its deep appreciation and gratitude to Mr. George Bennett for his outstanding service and loyalty to the people of Saint Paul's A.M.E. Church throughout the years; and be it further
- RESOLVED: That the City Clerk be and hereby is requested to forward a suitably engrossed copy of this resolution to George on behalf of the entire City Council.

In City Council September 12, 1988.

Adopted by the affirmative vote of 8 members.

Attest:- John E. Flynn, Deputy City Clerk.

A true copy;

ATTEST:

John E. Flynn
John E. Flynn, Deputy City Clerk.

Order #20

S-507

C. Graham re: resolutions concerning volunteerism & the work of George Bennett of the St. Paul's A.M.E. Church in creating "The Pacesetters"; a group which raises funds for the Church.

In City Council,

September 12, 1988

9-12-88

C. Graham

Order Adopted

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