

WHEREAS: Gary Langford's pride, cultural diversity, and his many different friends from different races, cultures, and parts of the world made Gary the unique person he was; now therefore be it

RESOLVED: That the City Council go on record extending its condolences to the family of Gary Langford at this time of such personal loss; 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 Langford family on behalf of the entire City Council.

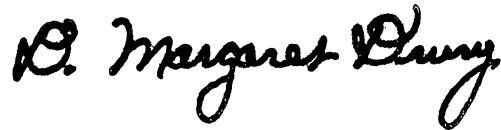
In City Council July 28, 2008.

Adopted by the affirmative vote of nine members.

Attest:- D. Margaret Drury, City Clerk.

A true copy;

ATTEST:-

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "D. Margaret Drury". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

D. Margaret Drury
City Clerk



City of Cambridge

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IN CITY COUNCIL

July 28, 2008

COUNCILLOR REEVES
COUNCILLOR DAVIS
COUNCILLOR DECKER
COUNCILLOR KELLEY
COUNCILLOR MAHER
VICE MAYOR MURPHY
COUNCILLOR SEIDEL
MAYOR SIMMONS
COUNCILLOR TOOMEY

- WHEREAS: Gary Langford passed away on May 30, 2008; and
- WHEREAS: Gary Langford loved jazz, art, cross-cultural communication, conversation, poetry, civil life and social responsibility, human rights and languages; and
- WHEREAS: Gary Langford was our friend, our lover, our soul mate, our comrade, and he always loved Cambridge; and
- WHEREAS: Gary had a passion for life, freedom, and most especially for people, for supporting them, talking to them and listening to jazz with them; and
- WHEREAS: Gary had a peace-loving nature and he was a tireless advocate of honesty among people, honesty in government, honesty of nations, and he always spoke of peace; and
- WHEREAS: Gary was a kindhearted gentleman with a wonderful temperament, a noble spirit, and humanitarian principles, all qualities which enriched his relationships with his friends and sanctified the time he spent with them, talking, sharing and listening to John Coltrane, Miles Davis, Charlie Parker, Don Cherry, Ed Blackwell and Charlie Hayden, and the list goes on and on; and
- WHEREAS: Gary loved to spend time at St. Nick's Tavern in Harlem, a place he felt at home, with David Murray and Billy Bang and Butch Morris; and
- WHEREAS: Gary had a warmth and understanding of people and music; he loved to talk about jazz and explain it to his eager listeners; and
- WHEREAS: Gary took great pride in his blackness, his African heritage and the country and culture of Africa; and

RESOLUTION #21

Resolution on the death of Gary
Langford

**Councillor Reeves and entire
membership**

**In City Council
July 28, 2008**

ORDER ADOPTED