



City of Cambridge

R-16.

IN CITY COUNCIL
June 16, 2003

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

WHEREAS: It has come to the attention of the City Council that the Mount Auburn Cemetery has been designated a National Historic Landmark by the United States Department of the Interior; and

WHEREAS: This recognizes its importance as one of the country's most significant designed landscapes. Founded in 1831, it was the first large-scale designed landscape open to the public in the United States; and

WHEREAS: Today, its beauty, historic associations and horticultural collections are internationally renowned; and

WHEREAS: Its founders believed that burying and commemorating the dead was best done in a tranquil, natural setting. They also believed that the Cemetery should be a place for the living, so they set about "embellishing" the natural landscape with ornamental plantings, monuments, fences, fountains and chapels; now therefore be it

RESOLVED: That the City Council go on record congratulating the Mt. Auburn Cemetery on the occasion of being named a National Historic Landmark on May 27, 2003; 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 Mt. Auburn Cemetery on behalf of the entire City Council.

In City Council June 16, 2003.

Adopted by the affirmative vote of nine members.

Attest:- D. Margaret Drury, City Clerk.

A true copy;

ATTEST:-

A handwritten signature in cursive script, reading "D. Margaret Drury".

D. Margaret Drury, City Clerk

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RESOLUTION#16

Congratulating the Mt. Auburn
Cemetery on the occasion of being
named a National Historic Landmark
on May 27, 2003.

**Mayor Sullivan and entire
membership**

In City Council June 16, 2003

ORDER ADOPTED