



City of Cambridge

19.

Calendar Item # 34

IN CITY COUNCIL

~~November 22, 1993~~

December 13, 1993

MAYOR REEVES
COUNCILLOR DUEHAY
COUNCILLOR MYERS
COUNCILLOR WOLF

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RESOLVED: That this Cambridge City Council welcomes to Cambridge the five young teachers from San Jose Las Flores, Lilian Quintanilla Menjivar, age 21; Victor Mejia Munoz, age 22; Nelson Rutilio Orellana, age 15; Francisca Echeverria Rivera, age 17; and Angel Benaduglas Vasquez Portillo, age 19; and be it further

RESOLVED: That every citizen of Cambridge be encouraged to attend an event during this time to meet these young people whose dedication to education compelled them to teach and study in a school system which emerged during a brutal war to promote peace with justice.

In City Council December 13, 1993.

Adopted by a ye and nay vote:-

Yeas 8; Nays 0; Absent 1.

Attest:- D. Margaret Drury, City Clerk.

A true copy;

D. Margaret Drury

ATTEST:-

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Wolf, Myers, One Day
Consent Order #19

R-570

Mayor Reeves re: Welcoming
of five teachers from San Jose
Las Flores, El Salvador to
Cambridge as part of the Sister
City Project.

Charter Right exercised
by Councillor Walsh

12/13/93 Order adopted
8-0-1.

In City Council,

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