



City of Cambridge

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IN CITY COUNCIL
November 19, 1984

MAYOR RUSSELL

- WHEREAS: Organized home health care services to the elderly and disabled have existed in this country since the last quarter of the eighteenth century; and
- WHEREAS: Home health care is recognized as an effective and economical alternative to unnecessary institutionalization; and
- WHEREAS: Caring for the ill and disabled in their homes places emphasis on the dignity and independence of the individual receiving these services; and
- WHEREAS: Since the enactment of the medicare program, including skilled nursing services, physical therapy, speech therapy, social services, occupational therapy, and home health aide services, the number of home health agencies providing these services has increased from less than five hundred to more than four thousand; and
- WHEREAS: Many private and charitable organizations provide these and similar services to millions of patients each year preventing, postponing, and limiting the need for institutionalization; and
- WHEREAS: The Cambridge Visiting Nursing Association is the only voluntary, non-profit home health agency in Cambridge and has served all Cambridge residents without regard for ability to pay for the past 80 years; now therefore be it
- RESOLVED: That this City Council do hereby proclaim the week of November 25 through December 1, 1984 as "CAMBRIDGE VISITING NURSES WEEK" as recognition of the valuable community services performed by the Visiting Nurses.

In City Council November 19, 1984.
Adopted by the affirmative vote of 9 members.
Attest:- Paul E. Healy, City Clerk.

A true copy;

ATTEST:-

A handwritten signature in cursive script, reading "Paul E. Healy", is written over a horizontal line.

Paul E. Healy, City Clerk.

Order # 4

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Mayor Russell re: resolutions proclaiming
the week of November 25 - December 1, 1984 as
"Cambridge Visiting Nurses Week" in recogni-
tion of the valuable community services per-
formed by the Visiting Nurses.

In City Council,

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