



City of Cambridge

R-54.

IN CITY COUNCIL

April 2, 2001

MAYOR GALLUCCIO
COUNCILLOR BORN
COUNCILLOR BRAUDE
COUNCILLOR DAVIS
COUNCILLOR DECKER
VICE MAYOR MAHER
COUNCILLOR REEVES
COUNCILLOR SULLIVAN
COUNCILLOR TOOMEY

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WHEREAS: The denial of the genocide by modern Turkey dishonors the memory of the forefather of all living Armenians; and

WHEREAS: Armenians have traditionally designated April 24th as Armenian Martyrs' Day in recognition and remembrance of those who perished during the genocide; and

WHEREAS: The year 2001 marks the 86th anniversary of the genocide and the first opportunity of the 21st century to mark this event; and

WHEREAS: It is of utmost importance to remember the past so that its atrocities are not repeated; now therefore be it

RESOLVED: That this City Council declares April 24, 2001 as

ARMENIAN MARTYRS' DAY

in the City of Cambridge and urges all people around the world to remember genocide of the Armenian people that was perpetrated by the Ottoman Turks; 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 Armenian National Committee of Eastern Massachusetts on behalf of the entire City Council.

In City Council April 2, 2001.

Adopted by the affirmative vote of nine members.

Attest:- D. Margaret Drury, City Clerk.

A true copy; 

ATTEST:-

D. Margaret Drury
City Clerk

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March 26, 2001

MAYOR GALLUCCIO

The Clerk is hereby requested to prepare a suitable order on proclaiming April 24, 2001 as Armenian Martyrs' Day in memory of the victims of the Armenian Genocide.

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OFFICE OF THE CITY CLERK
CAMBRIDGE, MASSACHUSETTS



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Mayor Galluccio

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ORDER ADOPTED