

WHEREAS: The City of Cambridge proudly claims as a resident the community leader Orlando Del Valle. Orlando has made Cambridge his home since 1968. Born and raised in New York City of Puerto Rican parents, he calls himself the Latin from Manhattan, but he fell in love with Cambridge and New England when he came to the area on a short-term job with Sarah Caldwell and the Opera Company of Boston. Orlando is a showman, a businessman and an inveterate community organizer. He graduated from the High School of Music and Art in Manhattan and worked as a mime at the New York Mime Theatre. Orlando owned and operated several businesses in Harvard Square, including Czar Nicholas and The Toad, a children's clothing shop, and Duck Soup, the Square's first soup and salad emporium. Orlando describes Cambridge of the late 1960s as "a place where you could do anything, all you needed was imagination." In 1980, Orlando graduated from the School of Social Work at Boston University, where he studied community organizing under the legendary Dean Hubie Jones, who told Orlando that he must eschew direct service provision and devote himself to empowering communities to help themselves. Orlando took the Dean's sage advice and we are all the better for it. Orlando became ensconced in the area's Latino/Latina community organizations in the early 1980s when he directed an outreach and education campaign for the state's Commissioner of Public Welfare. In 1987, Orlando began a long and fruitful association with the Latino Health Institute. He launched research and education projects to learn about the phenomenon of HIV/AIDS among Latino gay men. From there, he founded Club Antorcha, an organization offering support and safe harbor to Latino gay men who were struggling with the identity crisis brought about by rejection of their homosexuality by families and home communities and by the racism they experienced in gay male communities. Orlando has served for the past three years on the Board of Directors of The History Project, dedicated to preserving the history of Boston's LGBT communities. Orlando famously never parts with his camera, a fixture at LGBT community events since the early 1970's. He is the proud father of a son, Nicholas, who lives in New York City and enjoys a warm friendship with Nicholas's mother and his former wife, Elizabeth. Orlando, we honor you today and thank you for your many good works on behalf of lesbian, gay, bisexual and transgender people and for your special devotion to improving the lives of Latino gay men; and

WHEREAS: The City of Cambridge and the Commonwealth of Massachusetts and the United States of America are made more just and more honest through the life and work of Jean Flatley McGuire. Jean hails from the City of Brotherly Love, Philadelphia, and is the eldest of ten children. Jean has thrived in a decades-long career in community service, focused on improving our public health, but especially on improving the lives of persons with disabilities. She graduated from Trinity College in Washington DC in 1970 and lived and worked there until a fellowship to Harvard School of Public Health drew her to Cambridge. Jean worked with several national organizations in the areas of mental retardation and developmental disabilities. She was a key leader in the passage of significant legislation, including the Civil Rights Restoration Act, the Fair Housing Act Amendments, the Americans with Disabilities Act, and the Ryan White CARE Act, all of which expand federal and state recognitions of the needs of persons with disabilities, including those living with HIV/AIDS. In the Commonwealth, Jean served as Assistant Commissioner for the Department of Public Health where she headed its HIV/AIDS Bureau from 1997 to 2003. Jean was called back into public service from a teaching post at Northeastern University this past April, when she was named Assistant Secretary for

Disability Policies and Programs in the administration of Governor Deval Patrick. Jean is among the highest-ranking out lesbian and gay public officials in the state and the country and is the highest-ranking public official in the United States to have married her same-sex partner. Our City of Cambridge, too, has benefited from Jean's political and public health acumen. She has served as a member of the city's Public Health Commission and led a process to study LGBT-related health issues in Cambridge. As an active parent with children in the public schools, Jean served on committees that studied the restructuring of Cambridge Rindge and Latin School when her children were students there. Jean is the very proud parent of Megan, 29, Daniel, 27 and Lainey, 24. She and her wife Dr. Barbara Herbert married on the lawn of Cambridge City Hall on May 17, 2004, with City Councilor Denise Simmons officiating. Jean and Barbara met in Fall 1991 and have lived happily ever since in this community. Jean, we honor you today and thank you for your many good works on behalf of all of us and your special devotion to improving the lives of people living with disabilities and HIV; now therefore be it

RESOLVED: That the City of Cambridge hereby acknowledges the good works and valuable lives of Hannah Prum, Orlando Del Valle, and Jean Flatley McGuire, each of whose inspiring leadership vastly improves our city and life for all within it; and be it further

RESOLVED: That the City of Cambridge does hereby recognize Saturday, June 9, 2007, as the official Cambridge Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual and Transgender Pride Day, and urges the citizens of Cambridge to recognize this special tribute by joining in the activities of the day and continuing their support for this critical part of our community; and be it further

RESOLVED: That the City Clerk be and hereby is requested to prepare suitably engrossed copies of this resolution for presentation to Hannah Prum, Orlando Del Valle, and Jean Flatley McGuire.

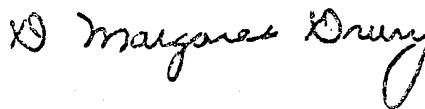
In City Council June 4, 2007.

Adopted by the affirmative vote of nine members.

Attest:- D. Margaret Drury, City Clerk.

A true copy;

ATTEST:-



D. Margaret Drury
City Clerk



City of Cambridge

R-103.

IN CITY COUNCIL

June 4, 2007

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

WHEREAS: The people of Cambridge are proud of all members of our community and have made a strong commitment to civil rights and to building good relationships amongst us; and

WHEREAS: Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual and Transgender Pride Day commemorates the Stonewall Rebellion in June 1969 when a routine police raid on the Stonewall Inn was vigorously and famously resisted by drag queens and bull dykes; and

WHEREAS: June 2007 marks the 38th Anniversary of the Stonewall Rebellion; and

WHEREAS: In the City of Cambridge, Pride in our lesbian, gay, bisexual and transgender citizens is spotlighted by the city's exemplary leadership in celebrating the newly won freedom to marry for same-sex couples; and

WHEREAS: In the City of Cambridge, Pride in our lesbian, gay, bisexual and transgender citizens is further proclaimed by the official inauguration of the city-wide advisory body called the Cambridge GLBT Commission, brought into service on April 21, 2005; and

WHEREAS: The Mayor's Office will host the Seventeenth Annual Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual and Transgender Pride Day Celebration by holding a community breakfast and awards ceremony at Cambridge City Hall on Saturday, June 9, 2007; and

WHEREAS: The City of Cambridge and all members of the Cambridge Rindge and Latin School have benefited enormously from the leadership of Hannah Prum, Class of 2007. Hannah is honored on this day with the Rose Lipkin Award, an annual recognition of a student at CRLS who has cultivated a safer and healthier environment for LGBT students and allies. We are grateful to her for her outstanding leadership at Project 10, where she was a driving force in activities and initiatives. Hannah is especially skilled at welcoming new student members to the group. We wish her well as she begins studies at Mount Holyoke College where she will pursue both arts and sciences; and

RESOLUTION #103

**Declare Saturday, June 9, 2007
as Cambridge Lesbian, Gay,
Bisexual and Transgender Pride
Day
Mayor Reeves and entire
membership**

**In City Council
June 4, 2007**

ORDER ADOPTED