



City of Cambridge

6.

IN CITY COUNCIL

MAYOR DUEHAY

May 18, 1981

- WHEREAS: Blood is vital to life and requires the same concern and protection afforded other precious natural resources; and
- WHEREAS: Despite increasing donations in recent years, the demand for human blood has continued to grow, necessitating the development of new techniques for conserving blood; and
- WHEREAS: Among these techniques, a new process known as autotransfusion promises positive medical results as well as significant savings in surgical costs, as shown at Boston's Beth Israel Hospital where it is currently used in all cardiac surgery; and
- WHEREAS: Autotransfusion involves the collection, cleansing, and recycling of a patient's own blood normally lost during surgery and must be seen as a major advance in medicine in eliminating the problem of transmission of disease often associated with donor transfusions; and
- WHEREAS: On June 8-9, 1981, the Second International Autotransfusion Symposium will be held at the Hyatt Regency Hotel in Cambridge; and
- WHEREAS: This symposium will provide a forum for leading researchers in this breakthrough field to make the medical community and the public aware of alternative and proper methods of blood conservation to meet continuing demands; now therefore be it
- RESOLVED: That this City Council go on record as welcoming to Cambridge the distinguished participants in this symposium; and be it further
- RESOLVED: That the faculty of the Blood Conservation Institute, and in particular Course Directors Jerome M. Hauer, M.H.S., Kenneth L. Mattox, M.D., and Robert L. Thurer, M.D., be commended for sponsoring this important event and for their continuing work in this vital area of the medical field.

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Adopted by the affirmative vote of 6 members.

Attest:- Paul E. Healy, City Clerk.

A true copy;

ATTEST:-

Paul E. Healy

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M. Duehay resolutions on The Second
International Autotransfusion Symposium.

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Order adopted

6 members