

- WHEREAS: The Cambridge Peace Commission will be holding the Eleventh Cambridge Peace and Justice Awards Dinner -- honoring an amazing set of individuals and groups for their contributions to peacemaking in our city -- on Sunday, November 16, from 4:00 to 7:00 p.m. at the Dante Alighieri Cultural Center, 41 Hampshire St., Cambridge; now therefore be it
- RESOLVED: That the City Council does recognize and congratulate Jada D. Simmons for all of her efforts; and be it further
- RESOLVED: That the City Clerk be and hereby is requested to send a suitably engrossed copy of this resolution to the Cambridge Peace Commission to be presented to Jada D. Simmons at the Eleventh Cambridge Peace and Justice Awards Dinner on behalf of the entire City Council.

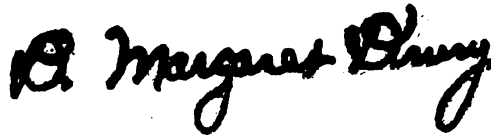
In City Council November 17, 2008.

Adopted by the affirmative vote of eight members.

Attest:- D. Margaret Drury, City Clerk.

A true copy;

ATTEST:-

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "D. Margaret Drury". The signature is stylized with a large, bold initial "D" and a cursive script for the rest of the name.

D. Margaret Drury
City Clerk



City of Cambridge

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IN CITY COUNCIL

November 17, 2008

MAYOR SIMMONS
COUNCILLOR DAVIS
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COUNCILLOR KELLEY
COUNCILLOR MAHER
VICE MAYOR MURPHY
COUNCILLOR REEVES
COUNCILLOR SEIDEL
COUNCILLOR TOOMEY

WHEREAS: Cambridge is home to many who use their time, talents, and energies to create more just, peaceful, and safe communities; and

WHEREAS: Cambridge has many organizations and individuals promoting issues of peace and justice both locally and globally. This important work is done in a variety of ways and on a range of issues –from people who work for peace in families, schools, congregations, and neighborhoods to those working across the United States and internationally; and

WHEREAS: The Cambridge Peace Commission has created Peace and Justice Awards, which recognize individuals and organizations in Cambridge working for peace and social justice by soliciting the nominations of people or programs that build bridges among people, those who stand for peace and justice initiatives particularly in these times of conflict, war, and divisions, and who may be lifelong peace and justice makers, as well as those among us whose daily lives may be inspirations to their community; and

WHEREAS: **Jada D. Simmons** has been chosen by the Cambridge Peace Commission from among more than fifty nominees to receive a Peace and Justice Award for her work over the past 13 years with the children and families of Cambridge through the Cambridge Public School District, and through the Cambridge Department of Human Service programs. There, her tireless efforts with children and adults through tutoring and providing extra help for students in school, after school and in their home and her work engaging parents to become active participants in their children's education have also been recognized by the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, when she was one of two individuals to receive the Distinguished Title I Graduate Award in 2002, and for her role as the originator of an annual community Kwanzaa event which brings together individuals from across the City from diverse backgrounds; and

RESOLUTION #14

Congratulations to Jada D.
Simmons on receiving a Peace and
Justice Award on November 16,
2008.

**Mayor Simmons and entire
membership**

**In City Council
November 17, 2008**

ORDER ADOPTED