



CITY OF CAMBRIDGE

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OFFICE OF
THE CITY CLERK

May 11, 1983

Mr. Lewis A. Armistead
Office of Government & Community Affairs
Harvard University
2 Garden Street
Cambridge, Massachusetts 02138

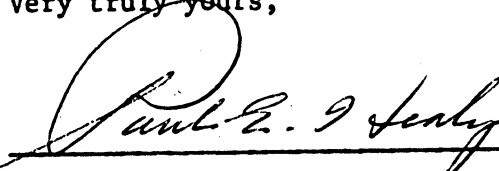
Dear Mr. Armistead:

Pursuant to the request of the City Council, I am forwarding to you copies of two resolutions as adopted by the Council at its meetings of April 25th and May 9th, 1983. Said resolutions dealing with the question of divestiture of South African related investments by Harvard University, and further declaring the support of the Council for the recent fast by Harvard students to accomplish this action and "Endowment for Divestiture" fund.

With regard to the resolution adopted on May 9th, on the subject of the "Endowment for Divestiture", the City Council has requested that a copy be forwarded to the Harvard Club of Boston. I am sending you an additional copy of that resolution and would greatly appreciate your kind assistance in forwarding it to the Harvard Club.

Your kind assistance and cooperation in this matter will be greatly appreciated both by this office and the City Council.

Very truly yours,


Paul E. Healy, City Clerk.

PEH/mh

Enclosures: City Council Order #6 of 4/25/83 & #2 of 5/9/83



City of Cambridge

6.

IN CITY COUNCIL

April 25, 1983

COUNCILLOR D. SULLIVAN

WHEREAS:

Cambridge voters at the November 6, 1979 city election overwhelmingly approved Question 5, advising the city government by a vote of 15,442 to 7,480 to "refrain from investing monies in banks and other financial institutions doing business in or with the Republic of South Africa"; and

WHEREAS:

By order of this City Council, the city treasurer and Retirement Board have since February 1980 divested the city of its South Africa-related investments at minimal financial loss; and

WHEREAS:

About thirteen Harvard students have been engaging in a fast for the past week, in order to persuade Harvard University to adopt a similar policy of divestment; and

WHEREAS:

This fast represents a courageous effort in the best tradition of legal, non-violent resistance to injustice; therefore be it

RESOLVED:

That the Cambridge City Council declare its support for the fasting Harvard students, and call upon Harvard University to join the City of Cambridge in divesting itself of South African investments; and be it further

RESOLVED:

That the City Clerk send a copy of this resolution to Harvard University.

In City Council April 25, 1983.

Adopted by a ye and nay vote:-

Yeas 8; Nays 0; Absent 1.

Attest:- Paul E. Healy, City Clerk.

A true copy;

ATTEST:-

Paul E. Healy



City of Cambridge

2.

IN CITY COUNCIL

May 9, 1983

COUNCILLOR DUEHAY
COUNCILLOR D. SULLIVAN

WHEREAS:

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WHEREAS:

The Harvard-Radcliffe Undergraduate Council has created the Endowment for Divestiture, a fund in which donations to Harvard will be held in escrow until the University divests itself of stocks in companies operating in South Africa; and

WHEREAS:

A broad coalition of Harvard students, faculty and alumni have come together to solicit contributions to the Endowment for Divestiture in order to encourage Harvard to adopt a policy of divestiture; therefore be it

RESOLVED:

That the Cambridge City Council declare its support for this effort and encourage all alumni of the University to contribute to Harvard through the Endowment for Divestiture; and be it further

RESOLVED:

That the City Clerk send a copy of this resolution to Harvard University, to the Harvard Club of Boston, and to any other appropriate local organizations of Harvard alumni.

In City Council May 9, 1983.

Adopted by the affirmative vote of 6 members.

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Order # 2

S-278

C. Duehay & C.D. Sullivan re: resolutions
supporting contributions to the "Endow-
ment for Divestiture" fund at Harvard &
encouraging the university to divest it-
self of its South African investments.

*Copy sent to Louis Armstrong, Harvard
University with request that he forward
a copy to the Harvard Club of Boston
5/4/83 mh*

In City Council,

May 9, 1983

5/9/83

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6 members

*John
F.
Sullivan*