



City of Cambridge

16.

IN CITY COUNCIL

October 24, 1994

COUNCILLOR TRIANTAFILLOU
COUNCILLOR BORN
COUNCILLOR DUEHAY
COUNCILLOR MYERS
COUNCILLOR SULLIVAN
MAYOR REEVES

WHEREAS: The City of Cambridge affirms the worth and dignity and civil rights of every person; and

WHEREAS: Living with dignity must include freedom from physical and emotional violence and the fear of such violence in the community, workplace and home; and

WHEREAS: Violence against lesbians, gay men, bisexual and transgendered people is frequently trivialized, unreported, hidden from view or blamed on the victim; and

WHEREAS: Our society permits such violence by viewing and treating lesbians, gay men, bisexual and transgendered people as if they are of little value; and

WHEREAS: The lesbians, gay men, bisexual and transgendered people at Camp Sister Spirit in Ovett, Mississippi have been repeatedly harassed, threatened, intimidated and victimized by their neighbors within the past year; and

WHEREAS: Two gay men, Robert Clyde Walters and Joseph Shoemaker, were recently murdered in Jones County, the same county in which Camp Sister Spirit is located; and

WHEREAS: Wanda and Brenda Henson, the founders of Camp Sister Spirit, visited Cambridge on October 2, 1994 to speak publicly about the harassment and violence against Camp Spirit; now therefore be it

RESOLVED: That the City of Cambridge shall urge that U.S. Attorney General Janet Reno and the U.S. Department of Justice to investigate the murders of Robert Clyde Walters and Joseph Shoemake as hate crimes perpetrated against them as gay men and intended to terrorize and intimidate all lesbian, gay, bisexual and transgendered residents of Jones County, Mississippi; and be it further

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RESOLVED: That the City of Cambridge recognizes that violence against lesbians, gay men, bisexual and transgendered people is a profound problem in our society and that the City will continue to eliminate such violence as it occurs in Cambridge.

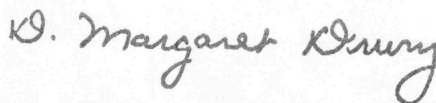
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Adopted by the affirmative vote of nine members.

Attest:- D. Margaret Drury, City Clerk.

A true copy;

ATTEST:-

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "D. Margaret Drury".

D. Margaret Drury
City Clerk



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Triantafillou, Boren, Onehay,
Myers, Sullivan, Reeves

Consent Order @16

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Councillor Triantafillou re: Violence
against lesbians, gaYS AND TRANSGENDERS.

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Order adopted