

OFFICE OF THE MAYOR
CAMBRIDGE, MASSACHUSETTS

April 22, 1929

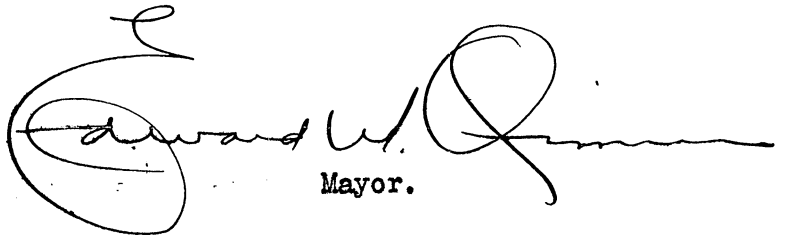
The Honorable, the City Council:

Joseph Gay, the last surviving member of the first company of volunteers to enlist in the Civil War April 17, 1861, died on April 18, 1928.

Two other members, Capt. John Kinnear and William Shannon, have died since the last anniversary celebration April 17, 1928. Whether there will be a celebration of this important event in the future will be determined later.

In the meantime I recommend that suitable action be taken by your Honorable Board as a mark of respect to his memory, in which action I am ready to join.

Very truly yours,



Mayor.

COMMUNICATION

notice of the death
of Joseph Gay

Cayman

Cayman

Stoker

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Murphy

Field

APR 23 1929

Referred to Special Committee
Commissioners Cayman; Stoker; ^{0.2}Stoker; Murphy
and Field



City of Cambridge

In City Council

May 7, 1929.

WHEREAS:-

A communication has been received from His Honor the Mayor notifying the City Council of the death of Joseph Gay, the only living member of the first company of volunteers to enlist for service in the Civil War, it is

RESOLVED:-

That the City Council takes notice of his passing away. He was the last of that band of honored and illustrious citizens who, on April 17, 1861 were first to respond to the call of President Lincoln for volunteers. It was the fate of some never to return. It was the fate of others to be maimed in body and broken in health. Of those who returned he was the last survivor. This little band of volunteers is no more. Cambridge officially honored them annually for over twenty-five years and it is fitting and proper that notice of the death of Joseph Gay should be spread upon the records of this City Council.

MAY 7 1929

In City Council

*Adopted unanimously by
a rising vote*

City Clerk

MAY 10 1929

Accepted
Edward W. [Signature]
Mayor

MAY 9 1929

City Council.

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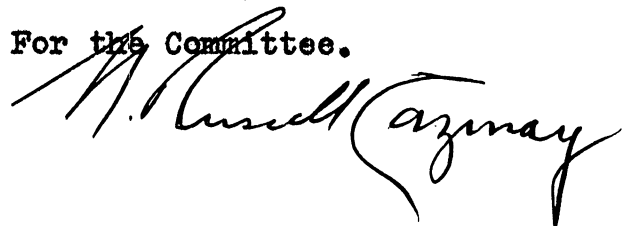
Committee on Resolutions on the Death
of Joseph Gay

to which was referred a communication from the Mayor transmitting notice
of the death of Joseph Gay

Reports,

Recommending the adoption of the
accompanying resolutions.

For the Committee.

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read "W. Russell Gayman", is written over the typed text "For the Committee." The signature is fluid and cursive, with the last name "Gayman" being particularly prominent.

REPORT
Special
Committee on *Resolutions on*
death of Joseph Gay.

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May 7, 1929