

Drury, Margaret

From: Martha Osler [mosler@earthlink.net]
Sent: Sunday, February 12, 2012 5:42 PM
To: Drury, Margaret
Subject: Support for Longfellow Neighborhood Council/Community School

Ms. Drury,
Since I am unable to attend Monday's City Council meeting, please enter my letter below (which I sent to all councilors today) into the public record as supporting the Longfellow Neighborhood Council/Community School.
Thank you.
Martha Osler

Dear Council Members,
I am writing to add my support for the continuation of the Longfellow Neighborhood Council and Community School. My family has participated in its varied programs since the late 1980's.
Foremost has been the loving attention of Penny Kleespies, along with her always competent staff of teachers, who provided the caring, non-threatening lessons and recitals that helped develop my children's love for music.
Second, the Council and Community School have sponsored such interesting, timely lectures, always by local residents, authors and historians, and always around themes that celebrate Cambridge. What a wonderful experience to have been able to walk to a free event, attended by neighbors and friends, and learn about something new!
And most recently there is the rich history and photo montage, "From the Heart of Cambridge: A Neighborhood Portrait," a labor of love by the Council that took painstaking work, with the result being a book that brings the Longfellow neighborhood alive, and for generations to come. What a tribute to the mid-Cambridge community specifically, and to all of Cambridge in general.
Please consider the thousands of individuals who have benefited from the resources of the LNC/CS over the years, and find a way to continue its vital service to the neighborhood.

Sincerely,

Martha Osler
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