

## **Proclamation Naming Karen Jean Williams 2018 Food Hero**

### **WHEREAS:**

Since 2012, the Mayor's Office in collaboration with the Cambridge Public Health Department, has celebrated National Food Day by recognizing the work of Cambridge individuals and organizations that have made a lasting and significant commitment to promoting a fair, healthy, accessible, and sustainable food culture in the city, honoring them in the biannual "Cambridge Food Heroes Award" ceremony; and

### **WHEREAS:**

Karen Jean Williams, food service employee at Cambridge Ridge and Latin School (CRLS), is being honored this year with a posthumous Cambridge Food Hero Award; and

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Karen was born and raised in Cambridge, where she attended and graduated from CRLS, and began her career in graphic design but later switched to pursue her true passion –baking and cooking; and

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Karen studied at Le Cordon Bleu and began working at Westin but sought to find a position where she could work more directly with people, eventually this brought Karen back to CRLS where she worked in the kitchen preparing breakfast and lunch for students but more importantly putting a smile on the faces of the students and fellow co-workers; and

### **WHEREAS**

Karen enjoyed working at CRLS and found the work and environment fulfilling, and her family and co-workers noted her dedication, determination, her deep love for her work, the students, and her co-workers at CRLS, and her joyful spirit; now therefore be it

### **RESOLVED:**

That the City Council go on record conveying its grateful recognition and appreciation to Karen Jean Williams for her exceptional service at CRLS and for being named a 2018 Cambridge Food Hero; and be it further

### **RESOLVED:**

That the City Clerk be and hereby is requested to forward a suitably embossed copy of this resolution to the Williams family on behalf of the entire City Council.