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--IN SCHOOL COMMITTEE--

February 7, 2023

ORDERED:

WHEREAS: Cambridge is now the first public school district in New England to offer students and staff a space to observe space for meditation, reflection, and spirituality; and

WHEREAS: Sacred Spaces at CPSD schools are open for all students regardless of religious background; and

WHEREAS: The Sacred Spaces will allow staff and students to practice any form of self-reflection; and

WHEREAS: Chief Equity Officer Manuel Fernandez; Zakkiyya Witherspoon, the co-founder of the Muslim Community of Cambridge Public Schools (MCCPS); and the CPS Employee Resource Group worked collaboratively to create sacred spaces; therefore, be it

RESOLVED: That the Cambridge Public Schools goes on record recognizing the individuals involved with advocating for and establishing Sacred Spaces and acknowledges their commitment to equity.

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A true copy:

Triel B. Kennebreu Attest:

Ariel B. Kennebrew Executive Secretary to the Cambridge School Committee

cc: Mayor Siddiqui Member Fantini Member Hunter Member Rojas Member Wilson Vice Chair Rachel