WHEREAS: Harvard University is an educational institution with world-wide recognition; and

WHEREAS: The continued and heightened oppression in South Africa have caused people throughout the world to realize that efforts aimed at ending apartheid must increase dramatically; and

WHEREAS: An anti-apartheid rally at Harvard University attracted over 6,000 supporters, and demonstrations of concern by Harvard students, faculty, and alumni continue; and

WHEREAS: The University's Advisory Committee on Shareholder Responsibility did request, in 1984, that the Corporation of Harvard University divest the University of all financial investments in companies and banks dealing with South Africa; and

WHEREAS: Harvard University is our Cambridge neighbor and the Cambridge City Council has ordered the City Treasurer and Retirement Board to divest the City of South-African related investments in response to a 15,442 to 7,480 vote of Cambridge citizens on November 6, 1979; therefore, it is

RESOLVED: That the Cambridge City Council requests President Derek Bok and the Harvard Corporation to respond to the real moral issues involved in the support of enterprises that do business with the racist, oppressive regime of South Africa; and be it further

RESOLVED: That President Derek Bok and the Harvard Corporation respond to the cries of concern in the Harvard and Cambridge communities that the need for increased pressure on South Africa requires total divestiture; and be it further

RESOLVED: That the Cambridge City Council requests Harvard University to join the City in divesting itself of South-African investments; and be it further

RESOLVED: That this resolution be delivered to President Bok, the Harvard Corporation, and the Harvard Alumni Association.

Adopted by the affirmative vote of eight members.

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