



City of Cambridge

Consent Communication #15

IN CITY COUNCIL

July 31, 2000

MAYOR GALLUCCIO

- WHEREAS: Many of our neighbors, long-term residents, elderly and disabled, low to moderate income working people of Cambridge, are still being threatened with displacement and the loss of their homes due to escalating rents and eviction, and many are being forced to leave our community because of the acute shortage of affordable housing; and
- WHEREAS: The City Council on February 1, 1999 passed Resolution 44 declaring a Housing Emergency in the acute shortage of affordable housing in the City of Cambridge, and implored landlords to be cognizant of the severe housing shortage, and to cease and desist eviction proceedings so that negotiations can take place in a reasonable manner; and
- WHEREAS: The new City Council on January 24, 2000 passed Consent Order #0-3, urging all Cambridge landlords to be cognizant of the severe housing shortage, to show moderation and restraint in rent increases, to cease and desist eviction proceedings so that negotiations can take place in a reasonable manner, and to negotiate in good faith agreements and settlements that allow Cambridge residents to remain in their homes; and
- WHEREAS: Deborah Miller, a Cambridge resident for 20 years, who works in Cambridge, and has lived in her home at 7 Craigie Circle for 10 years, was recently sent a notice of termination and was told by the owners of her building, the Rothman family of First Cambridge Realty Corp., that they would not renew her MBHP Section 8 lease; and
- WHEREAS: First Cambridge Realty Corp., formerly known as Stu-Lin, is the second largest owner of former rent control property in Cambridge, with over 750 units, the vast majority of which are now renting at market rate levels; now therefore be it
- RESOLVED: That the City Council urge the owners of 7 Craigie Circle, the Rothman family of First Cambridge Realty Corp., to show moderation and restraint, to cease and desist any threat of eviction towards Deborah Miller, and to renew her MBHP Section 8 lease so that she can remain in her home; and be it further
- RESOLVED: That the City Clerk be and hereby is requested to forward a suitably engrossed copy of this resolution to: Mr. Lewis Robert of First Cambridge Realty Corporation, 907 Mass. Ave., Cambridge, MA 02139; EllenSchacter of CASLS, 432 Columbia Street., Suite 16, Cambridge, MA 02141; the Campaign to Save 2000 Cambridge Homes and the Cambridge Eviction Free Zone, 11 Garden Street, Cambridge, MA 02138.

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Adopted by the affirmative vote of nine members.

Attest:- D. Margaret Drury, City Clerk.

A true copy;

ATTEST:-

A handwritten signature in cursive script, reading "D. Margaret Drury".

D. Margaret Drury
City Clerk

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Submitted by Bill Marcotte
for the Campaign to Save 2000 Homes

Dear Margaret,

I'm hoping one of the councilors
will phone you before 3 pm today to
sponsor this resolution.

Sincerely,
Bill Marcotte

CAMPAIGN TO SAVE 2000 CAMBRIDGE HOMES

Campaña para Salvar 2000 Hogares
Kannpay pou Sova 2000 Kay
c/o Eviction Free Zone, 11 Garden Street, Cambridge, MA 02138 (617) 354-1300 or 912-8574

July 27, 2000

To: Mayor Galluccio and the Cambridge City Council
City Hall
795 Mass. Avenue
Cambridge, MA 02139

Re: A Consent Communication submission for next Monday's City Council Meeting.

Dear City Councilors,

Could you please sponsor the following Resolution of concern and support on behalf of Deborah Miller, a 20-year Cambridge resident, who has lived in her home for 10 years at 7 Craigie Circle, to urge her landlord, First Cambridge Realty Corp. (formerly Stu-Lin), to cease and desist any eviction proceedings and to renew her MBHP Section 8 lease.

Sincerely, *Bill Marcotte*

for the 2000 Homes Campaign

CONSENT ORDER SUBMISSION

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A communciation was received from Bill Marcotte, Campaign to Save 2000 Cambridge Homes, relative to Cambridge resident Deborah Miller's eviction proceedings and the renewal of her MBHP Section 8 Lease.

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