

NEIGHBORS UNITED
CAMBRIDGE COMMITTEE
ON THE INNER BELT
ST. MARY'S CATHOLIC CHURCH
BLESSED SACRAMENT CATHOLIC CHURCH
CENTRAL SQUARE MINISTERS' ASSOCIATION

UNITED EFFORT TO SAVE OUR CITIES
INNER BELT COMMITTEE
134 NORFOLK STREET
CAMBRIDGE, MASSACHUSETTS 02139

January 6, 1969

SAVE OUR CITIES REPORT ON THE
THREAT OF IMPENDING DESIGNATION OF THE INNER BELT AND REQUEST FOR IMMEDIATE ACTION
BY THE CAMBRIDGE CITY COUNCIL ON THE INNER BELT IN SUPPORT OF SAVE OUR CITIES.

WHEREAS: For many years the Cambridge City Council has been and still is unanimously opposed to the Cambridge Inner Belt as proposed by the Massachusetts Department of Public Works and by Governor John A. Volpe, in view of the extreme disruption it would cause through widespread displacement of families -- destruction of scarce low- and moderate-income housing, and creation of a vast permanent barrier through the heart of Cambridge.

WHEREAS: The plans for the Brookline-Elm Route of the Inner Belt remain in the Department of Transportation in Washington, and John A. Volpe has been quoted in the Boston Globe and other sources as saying he intends to designate the Brookline-Elm Route for immediate construction which would be disastrous for the City of Cambridge;

WHEREAS: In October of 1966 the Cambridge City Council saw fit to officially sponsor an Anti-Inner Belt demonstration at the Boston Common,

WHEREAS: At the present moment of crisis there is double the need for city-wide action against the dire threat posed by the proposed Cambridge Inner Belt,

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED: (A) That the City Council draw up and adopt a resolution to the incoming Governor of Massachusetts, Francis W. Sargent, requesting that the proposed Brookline-Elm Street plans for the Inner Belt be immediately withdrawn from the Department of Transportation.

(B) That the presentation of said resolution by the City Council to the new Governor be accompanied by a MASSIVE MOTOR PARADE to the State House, to take place before the end of January, 1969, and to be sponsored jointly by the City Council and Save Our Cities.

(C) That the Cambridge City Council give full support to the proposed demonstration by ordering all city departments, including both members and equipment of the Fire, Police and Public Works departments, to participate in the demonstration, as shall be worked out jointly by the City Council and Save Our Cities.

(D) That particular arrangements and staffing be the responsibility of the City Council's Inner Belt Committee;

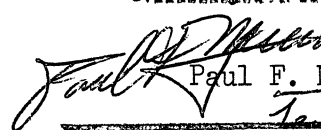
(E) That all expenses for buses, publicity, and coordination that are directly related to the proposed demonstration, up to a sum of \$3,000, be paid by the City through the City Council's Inner Belt Committee;

(F) That the day of demonstration be officially proclaimed HALT THE HIGHWAY / ANTI-INNER BELT DAY;

(G) That the City Council shall ask participation from all civic and fraternal groups and agencies within the City including, but not limited to, the Cambridge City Demonstration Agency, Cambridge Economic Opportunity Center, Cambridge School Committee, Cambridge Housing Convention Coordinating Committee, the two Cambridge Ministers' Associations, the League of Women Voters, the Veterans' Association, Cambridge Community Services, and the Cambridge Red Cross, as well as from all City departments and employees. and the Cambridge Civic Association.

Adopted by the affirmative vote

of 8 members

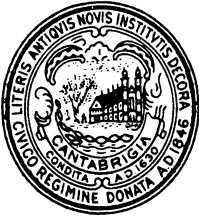

Paul F. Morris
City Clerk

RESOLVE

Requesting withdrawal of proposed
Brookline-Elm Street Inner Belt Route

January 6, 1969

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EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT

James L. Sullivan
City Manager

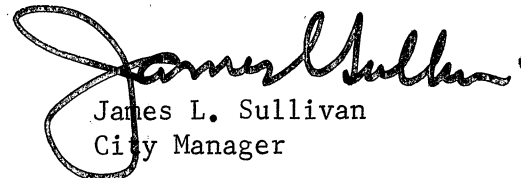
John H. Corcoran
Assistant City Manager

January 6, 1969

To the Honorable, the City Council:

I transmit herewith resolution from the United Effort to Save our Cities, Inner Belt Committee, covering the Save Our Cities Report on the Threat of Impending Designation of the Inner Belt and Request for Immediate Action by the Cambridge City Council on the Inner Belt in Support of Save Our Cities, which is to be presented in person.

Very truly yours,


James L. Sullivan
City Manager

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