



City of Cambridge

142.

IN CITY COUNCIL

September 14, 1998

COUNCILLOR RUSSELL
COUNCILLOR BORN
COUNCILLOR DAVIS
MAYOR DUEHAY
VICE MAYOR GALLUCCIO
COUNCILLOR SULLIVAN
COUNCILLOR TOOMEY
COUNCILLOR TRIANTAFILLOU

WHEREAS: A Cambridge mother, proud parent of a first grader on her first day of school at the King School, parked her car to accompany her child on this momentous occasion; and

WHEREAS: At such a time this mother was understandably, if regrettably, not focused on the street cleaning day sign beside which she parked; and

WHEREAS: After leaving her child in the classroom (a very emotional experience for the parent of a first grader on the first day of school), the mother returned to find that her car had been ticketed and towed because of street cleaning; and

WHEREAS: "The quality of mercy is not strained, but falleth as a gentle rain from Heaven upon the place beneath" (the parking space); and

WHEREAS: Cambridge is a family-friendly City with a kinder, gentler City government; now therefore be it

ORDERED: That the City Manager be and hereby is requested to confer with the Director of Traffic, Parking and Transportation to consider whether the ticket fee can be waived for the extenuating circumstances of a parent of a first grader on the first day of school so focused on this momentous event that she failed to see the warning sign.

NO ACTION TAKEN.

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Whereas:

~~on Tuesday,~~
A proud ~~young~~ mother Cambridge mother, proud parent of a first grader ~~today~~ on her first day of school at the King School, parked her car to accompany her daughter on this momentous occasion; and

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Whereas:

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Ordered
Resolved:

That the CM be + hb is requested to confer with the Deeds of T P + T to consider whether

the ticket fee can be waived for a parent of a first grader on the first day of school so focused on his momentous event that she failed to see the warning sign ^{the extenuating circumstances of}

C. Russell Waive

ticket fee

First day of
King School

towed + ticket

First grade

Street cleaning

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Consent Order #142

CM 429

Councillor Russell re: Consider extenuating circumstances with regard to ticketing of mother of first grader on her child's first day of school.

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No Action Taken
See September 28, 1998