

Nov. 17, 1994

16 Francis Ave.

Cambridge, MA 02138

Michael Sullivan
Councilor
Cambridge City Council
City Hall
Cambridge, MA 02139

Dear Mr. Sullivan:

I am writing regarding rent control (RC) in Cambridge. I voted yes on #9 because I believe RC, as it is currently practiced in Cambridge, needs to be reformed. I do want to see tenants, who do not need RC housing because of sustainable high incomes, to relinquish their RC units. At the same time, though, tenants who genuinely require RC housing because of low and/or fixed incomes, should be able to retain this housing. How? I believe the city should grant subsidies to the people who genuinely need RC housing. These subsidies can come out of a city tax for this purpose or from higher property taxes. As a citizen of Cambridge, I do want to share the burden of the poor who are my neighbors. I would be willing to pay a city tax levied for the purpose of maintaining RC apartments for the poor and elderly of our city. Thank you very much for your attention to this matter.

Sincerely,
Tara Toole
(Tara Toole)

Comm. # 1

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Communication from Tara Toolan, 16 Francis
Avenue, transmitting her belief that
Rent Control as it now stands needs to
be reformed.

In City Council,

November 18, 1994

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