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Adopted by the affirmative vote of nine members.
Attest:- Joseph E. Connarton, City Clerk.

A true copy;

A handwritten signature in black ink, reading "Joseph E. Connarton".

ATTEST:-

Joseph E. Connarton
City Clerk

Bob Sparling
35 Brookline St. #7
Cambridge, MA 02139
(617) 661-6571

Thursday, November 08, 1990

All Cambridge City Councillors
City Hall
Cambridge, MA 02139

Dear esteemed public servants:

The subject of this letter is torture. For more than two hours I have had no relief from the sound of a car alarm in the Campus/ManRay parking lot. I have been told by both the police and the city manager's office that, under present law, this nuisance can go on all day and evening before becoming illegal at 11:00 p.m. Until that time, not only can the offending car not be towed, but no citation for public nuisance can be issued.

The car is a gray Chevrolet Celebrity, MA plate #250 TBD. I also phoned Campus; no one there seemed to know whose car it was.

I know that car alarms have a useful purpose; but if they continue to blast more than ten or fifteen minutes they are cruel and unusual punishment to those who live and/or work nearby. Why shouldn't the law reflect this?

I will leave a note on the car when I go out. Perhaps the car owner might have the kindness to adjust downward the sensitivity threshold on the alarm before leaving the car in this neighborhood again. If not, then I have no more legal recourse until the law is changed.

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Councillors Duehay and Myers revision
to the Noise Ordinance.

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Order adopted

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