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December 4, 1989

Mr. Joseph P. Connarton
Cambridge City Clerk
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795 Mass. Avenue
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Dear Joe,

On behalf of the Harvard Square Business Association's board of directors, I am writing to express their unanimous opposition to Councillor Walsh's order of October 23, 1989, which resulted in a second reading on November 13, 1989, to consider redesigning the part of Brattle Street sidewalk commencing with Calliope at 33-33A Brattle and ending at Jasmine/Sola at 37-39 Brattle. Ord #3

Our directors consider the proposal to reduce the size of the sidewalk and to install 7-8 parking meters to be much too costly for the City, with too little gained for general business interests in Harvard Square. Furthermore, the proposal by the individual signers of the October 1, 1989 petition ignores the conditions of the current parking freeze in Cambridge, requiring the removal of on-street parking meters when capacity has been reached in any given area of the city.

The opinion collectively voiced by our board of directors is opposed to redesigning Brattle Square, but our directors think a solution to the congestion may be found in more vigilant enforcement of those not allowed to park in existing loading zones.

Sincerely yours,



Sally Alcorn
Executive Director

cc City Manager Robert Healy
HSBA President Tod Beaty
DPW Commissioner William Sommers

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Comm. from Sally Alcorn, Executive Director
Harvard Square Business Association, in
opposition to the redesigning of Brattle
Street in Harvard Square.

In City Council,

December 11, 1989

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