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City Manager

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The Honorable City Council
City of Cambridge
City Hall
Cambridge, Massachusetts 02139

Dear Councillors:

I am pleased to announce to you that the U. S. Office of Housing and Urban Development has awarded the City of Cambridge Model Cities Program two Neighborhood Facilities Grants in the amount of \$531,800.

These monies, coupled with \$279,200 local share, bring the total facilities funds to \$811,000.

The grants will be utilized as follows:

1. \$387,100 to construct a new neighborhood center at the corner of Columbia and Hampshire Streets. The center will house the Model Cities Child Care Program, Headstart, and Fletcher Teen Center.
2. \$307,400 for rehabilitation of the Boardman School (Sullivan Post) at the corner of School and Windsor Streets for use as a free-standing licensed health and social services clinic by the Neighborhood Family Care Center, Inc.
3. \$116,500 for interior restoration of the Margaret Fuller House, 72 Cherry Street. The house is now listed on the Federal Register of historic places in the United States. It will continue to house settlement programs and the community radio station WRCS.

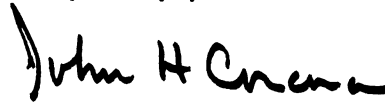
While considerable work still remains to be done by the Model Cities Administration staff and the involved local agencies so as to begin construction work, this award to Cambridge is a significant event in the life of the Model Cities Program. This is all the more praiseworthy in that Cambridge had to compete for the funds with other municipalities in the New England region. It was the excellence of the grant proposal

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which finally allowed HUD to pick the submissions of our Model Cities agency as the best.

I have requested the Model Cities Administration to prepare a detailed report of the extent and status of the projects. It is available for your inspection.

Very truly yours,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "John H. Corcoran". The signature is written in a cursive, slightly slanted style.

John H. Corcoran
City Manager

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Communication from City Manager
relative to rehabilitation of
Sullivan Post