

October 5, 1970

To the attention of the Mayor and City
Council of Cambridge:

We, the Property Owners of Pleasant Place, Cambridge,
would like action taken on the conditions that is
existing at the Webster School grounds, where the rear
part of which is on Pleasant Place.

We have spoken to the Principal and have called the
Police time and again as to the noise and carrying ons
of young boys and girls drinking and using fowl language
till all hours of the night, a condition which disturbs
the community.

Up until three years ago the school gates were always
locked at 3:30 P.M. Now they are opened 24 hours a day,
365 days of the year.

Just last week they installed two basketball courts on
both sides of the school yard in the rear which is
bringing in hoards of kids from everywhere making it
unbearable for all the property owners of this area.

The school fence is only about six feet high and the
basketballs are always bouncing into the yards of our
properties. These boys are ages up to 20 years of age
jumping over our fences causing them to twist and bend,
plus, breaking windows.

With all the tax and assessment raises, we believe that
the least we can have is protection from this destruction
of our property by locking the school gates by 3:30 P.M.
again and removing the ~~the~~ basketball boards to a
playground such as Hoyt Field, so we can sleep at night
and save our property from being destroyed.

Respectfully yours,

WE, THE UNDERSIGNED:

Carmela A. McDonald
Joseph A. McDonald
Robert W. Elliott
Selen F. Elliott
John A. Elliott
John T. Johnson
George W. Jackson
Mrs. Mary Martin

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Petition of Carmela A. McDonald et als, property owners of Pleasant Place relative to conditions existing at the Webster School grounds

October 19, 1970

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Manager*

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