



# City of Cambridge

O-14.

IN CITY COUNCIL

July 31, 2000

MAYOR GALLUCCIO  
COUNCILLOR BORN  
COUNCILLOR BRAUDE  
COUNCILLOR DAVIS  
COUNCILLOR DECKER  
VICE MAYOR MAHER  
COUNCILLOR REEVES  
COUNCILLOR SULLIVAN

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WHEREAS The Massachusetts Department of Telecommunication and Energy recently ordered large residential and commercial landlords to open their buildings to competing providers for a range of telecommunication services, including cable television, internet access, and telephone service; and

WHEREAS The practices that several property owners have alleged MediaOne has engaged in run counter to this ruling by the State; and

WHEREAS This City Council has encouraged the introduction of cable competition in Cambridge; now therefor be it

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ORDERED That the City Manager gather from MediaOne a list of multifamily and commercial buildings that have entered into exclusive contracts for cable and other telecommunications services and the terms of these contracts and report back to the City Council.

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Adopted by the affirmative vote of nine members.  
Attest:- D. Margaret Drury, City Clerk.

A true copy;

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**Mayor Galluccio**

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**ORDER ADOPTED**