

# Cambridge Teachers Association

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Cambridge, Massachusetts

March 6, 1975

Mr. Paul Healey  
City Clerk  
Cambridge City Hall  
Cambridge, Massachusetts 02139

Dear Mr. Healey:

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The public school students of Cambridge stand to lose a great deal if the educational programs which the Library and the Kennedy Museum plan to present are forced out of Cambridge. Those of us who teach in this wonderful city are very proud of the fact that President Kennedy was once our congressman and with his family climbed the front stairs of many of our homes in the late forties and early fifties asking our families to vote for him. We are dismayed that only a handful of residents are forcing this entire city to turn its back on the memory of this wonderful man.

Surely with all the technical knowledge prevalent in Cambridge there must be a way to build the entire Presidential Library complex without flooding the Harvard Square area with thousands of cars.

The members of the Cambridge Teachers Association urge the City Council to convey to Mr. Stephen Smith and other officials the desire which many of us who live and work in Cambridge have for locating President Kennedy's Library and Museum here. To do otherwise would be cheating our school children of a great opportunity to participate in many sound educational programs and would open Cambridge up to many more disparaging comments from throughout this great country.

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March 12, 1975

Mr. Leslie S. Oliver  
First Vice President  
Cambridge Teachers Association  
School Department  
1700 Cambridge Street  
Cambridge, Massachusetts

Dear Mr. Oliver: -

In connection with your communication dated March 6, 1975, please be advised that Councillor Graham submitted a motion to refer this communication back to the Teachers Association in order to determine the following:-

1. How many teachers voted?
2. How many teachers are Cambridge residents?
3. Provide the City Council with a list of all the teachers.

Your kind attention in this matter will be greatly appreciated.

Very truly yours,

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Paul E. Healy,  
City Clerk.

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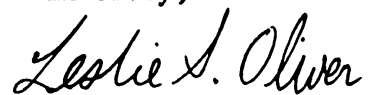
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Sincerely,



Leslie S. Oliver  
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cc: The City Manager  
The Cambridge Chronicle  
The Boston Globe  
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Comm. from the Cambridge Teachers Assoc.  
favoring the construction of the Kennedy  
library in Cambridge.

Letter sent to Teachers  
Association 3/12/75 dl.  
(copy enclosed)

In City Council,  
March 10, 1975

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