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Cambridge City Council
795 Massachusetts Ave.
Cambridge, MA 02139

Ladies and Gentlemen:

It has been reported that the city of Cambridge is planning to sell the lot occupied by the Engine no. 7 Firehouse in Kendall Square. I write to urge you instead to preserve this important piece of local history and investigate ways to renovate and re-use the existing building. Such a beautiful piece of the city's past should not be replaced by yet another ugly, soulless, glass-and-concrete slab building of the type that currently fills Kendall Square. Before deciding to sell the lot, I hope you will seriously consider the words of Boston Globe architecture critic Robert Campbell: "it offers us a visible past, and thus gives meaning to our own moment in time by defining where we've come from." (June 17, 1994)

Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,

Jane Zarnickowsky

Consent Comm. # 13

S-324

Comm. from Jane Zanichkowky requesting the
City Council to investigate ways to renovate
and re-use the lot occupied by the Engine
Seven Firehouse in Kendall Square.

In City Council,

June 27, 1994

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