



City of Cambridge

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IN CITY COUNCIL

June 24, 1991

COUNCILLOR MYERS

WHEREAS: Public housing tenants across the state may well be exposed to a dangerous rent increase if the current actions proposed by the state go through; and

WHEREAS: These actions include the elimination of the utility allowance and the elimination of rent schedules allowing lower rents for tenants who pay their own heat; and

WHEREAS: These rent increases constitute a tax on the poor; now therefore be it

RESOLVED: That Cambridge City Council go on record opposing these rent increases as being proposed by the Governor and being considered by the Legislature; and be it further

RESOLVED: That the City Council call on the State Legislature to pass a budget which is sensitive to the needs of the people of this Commonwealth; and be it further

RESOLVED: That a suitably engrossed copy of this resolution is prepared for presentation after a public hearing scheduled for Thursday, June 13th at the State House.

In City Council June 24, 1991.

Adopted by the affirmative vote of nine members.

Attest:- Joseph E. Connarton, City Clerk.

A true copy; *Joseph E. Connarton*

ATTEST:-

Joseph E. Connarton, City Clerk

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Definitions:

Affordable Housing: Affordable Housing is housing where the total housing cost to a person or family is less than or equal to 30% of their income. The income levels of those the housing is intended to serve is defined above.

Family Housing: Family Housing developments are those with apartments that are sized and otherwise appropriate for families. The Land Bank process must recognize the vibrant diversity of types of families that live in the City of Cambridge.

Large Parcels: A Large Parcel of land is defined to be a single contiguous piece of land with area greater than 25,000 square feet.

Median Income: Half of the people in the Greater Boston area (SMSA) have incomes above the Median Income; half have incomes below the median.

Supported Housing: Supported Housing developments are those that provide specialized social services and/or management.

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City Clerk

Order # 5

CONSENT

S-880

Councillor Myers re: opposition to rent
increases for public housing.

In City Council,

June 24, 1991

Order adopted