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DEPARTMENT OF TRAFFIC & PARKING

George Teso
Director

PRESS RELEASE

On October 11, 1972, the City of Cambridge Traffic and Parking Department will prohibit all "Left Turns" from Upland Road into Massachusetts Avenue for a sixty day trial period.

This restriction was brought about by a survey conducted by the Traffic Department to try and alleviate the heavy traffic congestion in Porter Square. A Origin And Destination Survey was made on all motor vehicles using Upland Road and the results show that 85% of all the motor vehicles that were making the left turn had traveled the entire length of Upland Road and turned right into Somerville Avenue. This led us to the conclusion that these were motorists who were using Upland Road as a short-cut from the Concord Avenue or Fresh Pond Parkway Area.

The Traffic Department will study this area during the trial period and evaluate the results to determine whether this restriction should be made permanent.

Very truly yours,

George Teso-Traffic Director

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