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THE CAMBRIDGE PLANT AND GARDEN CLUB

October 20, 1972

The Honorable Barbara Ackerman, Mayor
City of Cambridge City Hall
Cambridge, Massachusetts

Dear Mrs. Ackerman:

The Cambridge Plant and Garden Club was strongly represented at the last meeting of the Neighborhood Ten Association when the proposed Holiday Inn was discussed. At that time you stated that you hoped citizens and groups would make clear their opinions, and that you and the city council would welcome hearing from responsible people as a guide to your decisions. We are an organization of approximately a hundred people, mainly residing in Neighborhood Ten. We are a member of the Garden Club of America, a national group of 168 clubs throughout the United States. We are all dedicated to the principle of protecting and encouraging civic beauty through planning, conservation and planting.

We recognize the need for another hotel in this part of Cambridge due to the anticipated influx of visitors to the Kennedy Library and Center. However, we are very much opposed to the plans, as shown, for the Holiday Inn, as being of poor quality and design and far too large in scale.

We support and urge the City, even at this late date, to negotiate to improve the plans so that the structure will be an asset to the area in design and function.

I speak for all the members of the Cambridge Plant and Garden Club who voted unanimously to send you this message.

Sincerely yours,

Emily McFarland
Mrs. Ross McFarland, President
17 Fresh Pond Parkway

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Communication from Mrs. Ross McFarland
President of the Cambridge Plant and
Garden Club, statin her opposition
to the plans for the Holiday Inn.

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