

CAMBRIDGE CLERGY CITY MANAGER RESOLUTION

To Citizens of Cambridge and Members of the Cambridge City Council

June 1, 1970

We clergy of the city of Cambridge are much concerned over the City Council discussion that may presently lead to a vote to fire Mr. James L. Sullivan, the city manager of Cambridge. We are concerned for the following reasons. We believe that Jim Sullivan has done and is doing a competent job. We feel that the city is on a proper course to attack the problems facing us. If the present city manager is fired it could mean the end of professional leadership and the hiring of a manager who can be swayed by others, thus creating a period of patronage leadership. The ones to suffer in such a case are the people of this city. We have one of the great centers of learning and excellence, and we need professional leadership. If Jim Sullivan is fired and a new manager is appointed by the City Council, that will mean five city managers in the space of four and a half years. That is a questionable record for a city and it will not look good to any possible professional successor.

We wish to express our concern for the leadership of this city and to hope that the City Council will not fire the present city manager, and we express our confidence in his ability and leadership of this city.

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The Rev. Father Joel Olivereira
ST. ANTHONY'S ROMAN CATHOLIC CHURCH

Vote of the City Council on Confirmation
 of Fifteen
 Members of the Cambridge Housing Authority
 Henry as
 Housing #8
 Henry

CITY OF CAMBRIDGE
 MASSACHUSETTS

In City Council June 29 1970

	YEA	NAY	ABSENT	Present
Mrs. Ackerman	✓			
Mr. Clinton		✓		
Mr. Coates		✓		
Mr. Crane		✓		
Mr. Danehy		✓		
Mr. Mahoney	✓			
Mr. Moncreiff	✓			
Mr. Sullivan			1	✓
Mayor Vellucci		✓		
	3	5	0	1

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VOTE OF City Council ON CONFIRMATION OF
 ROSEMARY ALTMAN
 CITY OF CAMBRIDGE
 MASSACHUSETTS #1 ALTMAN

In City Council June 29 1970

	YEA	NAY	ABSENT	PRESENT
Mrs. Ackerman	✓			
Mr. Clinton		✓		
Mr. Coates		✓		
Mr. Crane		✓		
Mr. Danehy		✓		
Mr. Mahoney	✓			
Mr. Moncreiff	✓			
Mr. Sullivan				✓
Mayor Vellucci		✓		
	3	5	0	1

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The Honorable City Council
Cambridge City Hall
Cambridge Mass. 02139

Dear Sirs:

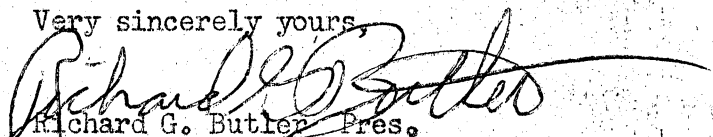
It is my fervent hope that you will act favorably on the appointments of Mrs. Eileen Henry and Mrs. Dorothy Altman to the Board of the Cambridge Housing Authority.

It is a long standing principle with the Planning Team that the low income residents of this city deserve representation on the decision making bodies affecting their lives. We certainly endorse the policy of increasing tenant representation on the Housing Authority Board.

As you undoubtedly know, Boston already has two tenants as members of its Housing Authority, and a majority which is receptive to tenants and their needs. The difficulties of implementing a modernization program and improving conditions in our public housing would make such a majority an undoubted advantage by promoting cooperation between tenants and management. The improved living conditions would also benefit the neighbors surrounding each housing development.

Thank you for your consideration.

Very sincerely yours,



Richard G. Butler, Pres.

North Cambridge Planning Team

Communication from North Cambridge
Planning Team urging the City Council to
act favorably on the appointments of
Mrs. Eileen Henry and Mrs. Dorothy Altman
to the Board of the Cambridge Housing
Authority

June 1, 1970.

*6/1/70 Referred to
Calendar #4
Copies to all COUNCILLORS.*

CORNELIA B. WHEELER
123 COOLIDGE HILL
CAMBRIDGE, MASS. 02138

June 1, 1970

To the Cambridge City Council:

I feel impelled to write of my deep concern about the appointments to the Housing Authority. Whatever the outcome of the City Manager situation, the matter of Housing Authority appointments should be given immediate attention.

There is a real present crisis as Mr. Hovanaian has left the country on a three week vacation. With only two members available, the Authority is powerless to conduct any business. There are many serious policy decisions facing the Authority, such as the appointments of a Director of the Modernization Program and action on the Harbridge House report written at the request of the Authority in order to reorganize the Authority staff. These are decisions which should be made by a full board.

2100 families are helpless should any prompt action by the Authority be needed. To leave the two vacancies on the Authority empty any longer is negligence of duty. I therefore urge you to consider and confirm the appointments of Mrs. Altman and Mrs. Henry. Mrs. Altman, with an M.A. in City Planning, has done intensive work on the needs and possibilities

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for public housing in Cambridge, and is responsible for the League of Women Voters bulletins on housing. Mrs. Henry was selected by the Tenants Senate as fully representative of their needs. They are two highly qualified women who are dedicated to providing first class public housing in Cambridge.

I consider the current problems to be so acute that your immediate consideration is needed.

Very sincerely yours,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Cornelia B. Wheeler". The signature is written in dark ink and is positioned below the typed name.

Cornelia B. Wheeler

Cambridge,.....19

To the Honorable, the City Council of the
City of Cambridge:

The undersigned respectfully pray

PETITION
COMMUNICATION

~~is~~ from Mrs. Cornelia B. Wheeler,
123 Coolidge Hill, Cambridge
for requesting the City Council
to consider and confirm the
~~is~~ appointments of Mrs. Altman
and Mrs. Henry to the Housing
Authority June 1, 1970

*Refer to Item
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*6/1/70 Referred to
Calendar Item #4 -*

In City Council, June 1, 1970

~~Referred to the Committee on~~

Attest:

Paul E. Leahy
Temp. City Clerk

PROFESSIONAL QUALIFICATIONS OF DOROTHY ALTMAN (MRS. HENRY G.)

Education

Radcliffe B.A. 1952 cum laude

Harvard Graduate School of Design Masters in City Planning (M.C.P.) 1956

Organizations

American Institute of Planners: provisional member 1952-1957. associate member 1957-1969, full member 1969-

New England Chapter of the American Institute of Planners 1952-

Experience in City Planning

Cambridge Planning Board 1953-1954 full-time and part-time (draftsman)

Massachusetts Department of Commerce, Division of Planning 1956
(junior planner)

Harris and Freeman, Planners and Architects, 1956-1958 (planner)

Dorothy Altman, Planning Consultant, 1960-1963

Experience in Cambridge Affairs

Cambridge Community Services, Member of Board, 1967-1970

League of Women Voters of Cambridge, Member of Board, 1963--1970.

Chairman of the Committee on Urban Planning and Development 1963-1970

1. Editor of the Newsletter on Low-Income Housing 1966-1970
2. Editor of Possible Programs for Low-Cost Housing in Cambridge 1966 a summary of federal, state, and local programs available for low-cost housing in Cambridge.
3. Initiator of study of modern forms of low-income housing. Lead to League adoption of position in support of the rent supplement program, rent control, leased housing, self-help programs for home improvements, modernization of state and federal public housing, construction of additional public housing, especially small developments on scattered sites. 1970
4. Initiator of study of public housing in Cambridge. Conclusions: to offer services to the Tenants' Senate and to send an observer to the meetings of the Cambridge Housing Authority. 1969.
5. Initiator of study of the Inner Belt through Cambridge. Resulted in League opposition to the construction of the Brookline-Elm Street Route. 1967.

Cambridge Advisory Committee on Zoning- member 1968-

134 Corcoran Park
Cambridge, Massachusetts

May 18, 1970

James L. Sullivan
City Manager
City Hall
Cambridge, Mass.

Re: Appointment to Cambridge Housing Authority Board

Dear Mr. Sullivan:

I would like to submit a resume of my background which states my qualifications for a seat on the Board of the Cambridge Housing Authority.

I am a lifelong Cambridge resident, a graduate of the Cambridge Public School system, and am now a part-time student at Simmons College.

I have been an active community worker since 1965, involving myself in all the major crises that have become important within that time.

When the Modernization Program was initiated in the City of Cambridge I was one of the original delegates who helped work out and draw up that proposal.

At present, I serve on the following Boards:

Secretary and Officer - Cambridge Tenants Senate
Delegate - Corcoran Park Tenants Council
Delegate - Mass. Alliance of Public Housing Tenants
Advisory Council - University of Massachusetts -
Middlesex County Extension Service
Curriculum Commmtte - Simmons College

Being myself a resident of public housing, I am fully aware of the many problems within this system, and can bring this knowledge and experience to the Board, with an effectiveness that non-residents could not possibly deliver at this time. Although a non-voting member of Cambridge Housing Authority, my position as Secretary gives me a seat at their table and access to all their information and freedom of discussion.

To: Mr. Sullivan (cont.)

May 18, 1970

For these reasons, I hope you will give my application due consideration in your final submission for these appointments.

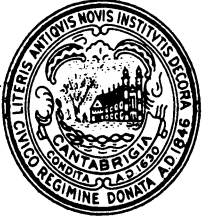
Sincerely yours,

Mrs Eileen Henry

Mrs. Eileen Henry

Mrs. Eileen Henry - Age 38

Five children - ages 19 to 9



CITY OF CAMBRIDGE

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EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT

James L. Sullivan
City Manager

John H. Corcoran
Assistant City Manager

May 18, 1970

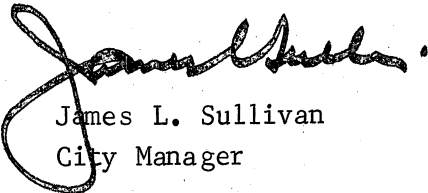
To the Honorable, the City Council:

I respectfully submit to the City Council the following recommendations for appointment to fill two vacancies in the Housing Authority -

Mrs. Dorothy Altman, 43 Gibson Street, Cambridge, to fill the unexpired term of Mrs. Pearl K. Wise, who has resigned; this term to expire on October 8, 1970.

Mrs. Eileen Henry, 134 Corcoran Park, Cambridge, to fill the unexpired term of Harold G. Thompson, who has resigned; this term to expire on October 22, 1971.

Very truly yours,


James L. Sullivan
City Manager

JLS/b

