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COMMISSIONER

April 5, 1989

Mr. Robert W. Healy
City Manager
Executive Office
City Hall
795 Massachusetts Avenue
Cambridge, MA 02139

Council Order 35
No-Smoking Ordinance

Dear Mr. Healy:

As you know the no-smoking ordinance designed to decrease tobacco smoke exposure in the workplace is just entering its third year since implementation.

We have reviewed the operations of the first two years of the ordinance, the recommended considerations by the City Council and the recommendations of Nancy Rigotti, M.D. of the Harvard Institute for the Study of Smoking Behavior.

As a result of those reviews I am taking 4 steps which include the recommendations and 4 steps beyond the recommendations. The first 4 steps are:

1. The issuance of a press release for the week of April 10th.
2. The preparation of a new fact sheet on the ordinance to be mailed to Cambridge businesses along with a sample copy of a workplace smoking policy.
3. Distribution of 3000 no-smoking signs to workplaces provided by the American Lung Association, Middlesex County.
4. Inspectional Services forms for restaurant and retail food establishments have been changed to include provision for noting violations of the no-smoking ordinance by order of Commissioner Cellucci.

The additional 4 steps are:

5. With the cooperation of the Mayor's office a public service message will appear on a sign in front of City Hall starting April 10th for a week.
6. In the near future Public Health Nurses in the Department of Health and Hospitals will begin to visit retail establishments to further public

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health by providing copies of the no-smoking ordinance to managers and employers and to answer questions which may arise.

7. Messages and interviews on the issue will be shown on Cambridge Cable TV.
8. Many of these steps are taken in conjunction with discussions and joint consideration with Dr. Rigotti and her staff at the Harvard Institute for the Study of Smoking Behavior. Before and after surveys of smoking behavior have been set up in order that we may see how effective these steps are in reducing tobacco smoke exposure by compliance with the non-smoking ordinance.

Yours sincerely,



Melvin H. Chalfen, M.D.
Commissioner

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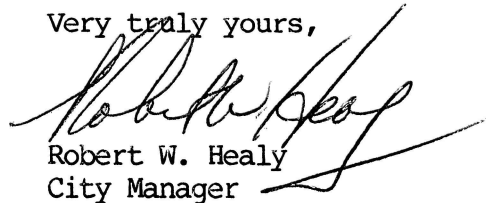
RICHARD C. ROSSI
Deputy City Manager

April 10, 1989

To the Honorable, the City Council:

In response to Awaiting Report No. 28 regarding an evaluation of the recommendations made by Dr. Nancy Rigotti of Harvard's Institute for the Study of Smoking Behavior, I submit the attached report outlining steps which are being taken to improve enforcement and public awareness of the City's no-smoking ordinance.

Very truly yours,



Robert W. Healy
City Manager

Agenda Item No. 4 0-47

Re: response to Awaiting Report Item 28 on
an evaluation of the City's no smoking ordinance.

In City Council,

April 10, 1989

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