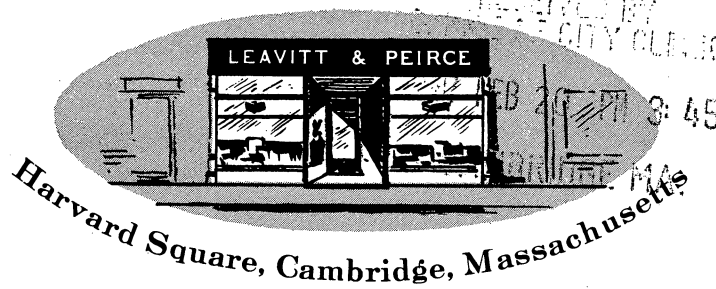


LEAVITT & PEIRCE

established 1883



Cambridge City Council
City Hall
Cambridge Ma. 02139

February 20, 1987

To The Honorable Members of Cambridge City Council,

As many of you know, Leavitt and Peirce has been a tobacco shop conducting business at 1316 Massachusetts Ave. for over 100 years. In the course of its history, Leavitt and Peirce has remained relatively unchanged, and in doing so it has become somewhat of an institution in Harvard Square.

With the passage of the new smoking ordinance, I feel that Leavitt and Peirce's ability to conduct business as usual will be threatened, since the sale of our products requires sampling of these products on the premises. I'm sure that you are aware of the difficulties for true small businesses to remain in business, with a multitude of constraints, such as high rents to name one, this is one constraint which would make our existence that much more difficult.

I'm sure that in our case, being the only true tobacco shop in the area, common sense and fairness will dictate an exemption be made in the best interests, not only of Leavitt and Peirce, but for all those who enjoy the shop.

Sincerely Yours,

Paul Macdonald
Store Manager

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Paul Macdonald".

E.K.

14.

S-131

Comm. from Paul Macdonald, Store Mgr.,
Leavitt & Peirce, Re: the smoking ord-
inance & its effect on their business
in terms of sampling tobacco products
on the premises.

In City Council,

February 23, 1987

E. D. Sullivan

Order Adopted