

CAMBRIDGE & SOMERVILLE ELDERS' CONGRESS 1982

Cambridge Committee of Elders
Somerville Cambridge Elder Services
Somerville Senior Action Council

The Cambridge City Council
Cambridge City Hall
795 Massachusetts Avenue
Cambridge, Massachusetts
02139

December 4, 1982

Dear Councillors:

As a result of the recent Elders' Congress the three sponsoring groups have begun a drive to secure adequate funding for the Social Security System. It is our belief that the problems of Social Security can, and should be solved without cutting benefits to either current or future recipients. With that end in mind we have been circulating petitions in the two cities and are planning to present them to our congressional delegation sometime over the Christmas recess. In order to have the broadest possible consensus we are now requesting your formal support on this most urgent matter. A resolution similiar to the enclosed petition, coming from a body as distinguished as yours would surely help our cause. That this is the will of the elderly of Cambridge is clearly indicated by the nearly 900 signatures we have already collected in Cambridge alone. Should you wish to hold a hearing on the matter we would gladly attend and make our case.

Thank you very much for all of your past support and for any help you can offer us now.

For the Elders Congress



Al Lindsey, President CCOE

Saturday, October 23, 1982
9 A.M. until 3:30 P.M.

BUILD SENIOR POWER!

Harrington School
850 Cambridge Street

For information phone 868-0800

We

the undersigned demand that the 1983 session of the United States Congress discuss the Social Security issue openly and with the full opportunity for senior input. Further we unequivocally oppose any plans to cut back or reduce benefits either now or in the future.

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City of Cambridge

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IN CITY COUNCIL

January 10, 1983

MAYOR VELLUCCI

- WHEREAS: This City Council is in receipt of a communication from the Cambridge & Somerville Elders Congress dated December 4, 1982 together with a petition signed by several senior citizens, urging the 1983 session of the United States Congress to discuss the Social Security issue openly and with a full opportunity for testimony to be presented by Social Security recipients; and
- WHEREAS: It is the belief of the Cambridge & Somerville Elders Congress that the problems of Social Security can and should be solved without cutting benefits to either current or future recipients; now therefore be it
- RESOLVED: That this City Council go on record endorsing and supporting the position of the Cambridge & Somerville Elders Congress; and be it further
- RESOLVED: That this City Council record its unalterable opposition to any plans to cut back or reduce benefits for any present or future Social Security recipients and further urges Congress to conduct open hearings to which senior citizens will be invited to attend and express their views on this subject and to give top priority to the consideration of alternative means of financing the Social Security System.

In City Council January 10, 1983.

Adopted by the affirmative vote of 7 members.

Attest:- Paul E. Healy, City Clerk

A true copy;

ATTEST:-

A handwritten signature in dark ink, reading "Paul E. Healy", is written over a horizontal line.

Paul E. Healy, City Clerk.

Order # 12

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Mayor Vellucci re: resolutions supporting
the Cambridge & Somerville Elders Congress
in their efforts urging the 1983 session of
the U.S. Congress to discuss the Social Sec-
urity issue.

In City Council,

January 10, 1983

1/16/1983

Resolution approved

Copy sent 1/14/83