

March 21, 1987

RE THE PROPOSED DEMILITION OF THE BUILDINGS AT 595 MASSACHUSETTS AVE.

Whereas satisfactory relocation of all tenants ensuring their economic viability in another location has not been found, and

Whereas relocation assistance of No kind has been properly designated to help the tenants move, and

Whereas the Environmental Impact Study by the Cambridge Tenants Union has pointed out a Real Danger regarding the Water Table Level and impending Sewage Overload, and

Whereas a Class Action Lawsuit is now (3/23/87) being brought against Schochet Assoc. for alleged illegal Eviction Proceedings at the Fresh Pond Project, and Tenants at 595 Mass. Ave. are now suffering because of the very appalling maintenance conditions current in the buildings, and

Whereas there is rising concern for the jeopardy in which this City Council may be putting itself if it chooses to blanketly ignore a Resolution instituted in memory of a most prominent Citizen in the History of this City of Cambridge, without due process, setting a Dangerous precedent, as Hon. Morse was an example of Excellence, and

Whereas the Old Morse School, the Memorial to Hon. Morse, was demolished in 1957, and

Whereas historically these Buildings have been consistently associated with Progressive Politics, Social Justice, Arts and Culture, remaining true to the spirit and energy of the original founder and occupants, and

Whereas we consider the above issues to be of Major Importance in Service to this Community,

We, the undersigned do hereby Petition to the City Council that a stay of Demolition be granted and thorough Reconsideration be made for all Issues and Groups involved.

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or DELIVER
Please Mail, to City Council, CITY HALL, 795 MASS. AVE., CAMB. MA 02139

A PETITION TO STOP THE DEMOLITION OF 595 MASSACHUSETTS AVE.

We, the undersigned, do believe that the building at 595 Massachusetts Avenue is a historic site and the building lends a distinctive character to Central Square. There are very few buildings with historical significance in Central Square and the City of Cambridge should work to keep the ones which exist. This is essential for the future of Central Square. The MIT project will begin to transform the area. In the coming years, many buildings will be demolished in Central Square, and there will be no lack of developers anxious to do so. Let us start to plan for the future now. We would like to see 595 Massachusetts Avenue incorporated into any new development here and not be demolished. Let us choose a Central Square that is diverse in its architecture and reflects its historical roots. Let us choose a Cambridge that cares about the environment for its present and future citizens by choosing not to demolish a building erected by one of its most distinguished citizens of the past.

Name

Address

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To: Cambridge City Council
City Hall
795 Massachusetts Avenue
Cambridge, MA 02139

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Comm. from Joseph E. Connarton, City Clerk,
transmitting a petition signed by 6 persons
Re: proposed demolition of the buildings
at 595 Mass. Ave. & requesting that the
Council grant a stay of said demolition &
reconsider all issues & groups involved.

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In City Council,

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