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Cambridge City Council
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Dear Council Members:

I understand that you are to commission two portraits of the Sullivan Brothers to be hung at City Hall.

I represent a Cambridge artist who is one of the foremost portrait painters in New England. His name is Mel Robbins and his residence and studio are at 100 Memorial Drive, Cambridge.

He has just finished the official portrait of the late Speaker of the House, John W. McCormick, which hangs at the McCormick Institute at the University of Massachusetts, Boston. He has also painted portraits Dr. Robert Wood, Frank Boyden and Fred Troy of the University of Massachusetts.

In Cambridge his portrait of Dr. Paul Yvilsaker, former Dean, hangs at the School of Education. At present he is working on a commission from Harvard University for the official portrait of Peter Gomes, Preacher to the University.

He has also painted Robert Quinn, former Attorney-General of the Commonwealth and many many more.

I should be most pleased to meet with members of the Council to show photographs of some of Mel Robbins' work.

I look forward to hearing from you. Thank you.

Yours most sincerely,

Martin H. Slobodkin
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Comm. from Martin H. Slobodkin, representing Cambridge Artist Mel Robbins in connection with the order adopted by the Council directing that portraits of Mayor Walter Sullivan & Clerk of Courts Edward Sullivan be commissioned to hang in the Sullivan Chamber.

In City Council,

March 24, 1986

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