



City of Cambridge

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IN CITY COUNCIL

October 20, 1997

COUNCILLOR DUEHAY
 VICE MAYOR BORN
 COUNCILLOR DAVIS
 COUNCILLOR GALLUCCIO
 COUNCILLOR REEVES
 MAYOR RUSSELL
 COUNCILLOR TOOMEY
 COUNCILLOR TRIANTAFILLOU

WHEREAS: The use of outdoor grilles and hibachis on porches and balconies are a major source of fires in people's residences; and

WHEREAS: This cause of fires is preventable; and

WHEREAS: The Cambridge Fire Department has taken steps to prevent fires by banning the use of hibachis and grilles on porches, balconies and roofs in accordance with Massachusetts General Law 148, Section 28; and

WHEREAS: The Fire Department does not have the proper budget to inform residents of the existence of this regulation; now therefore be it

RESOLVED: That the City Manager be and hereby is requested to confer with the Chief of the Fire Department with the view in mind of organizing the proper public information program for this purpose, including pinpointing sources for funding, if necessary.

In City Council October 20, 1997.

Adopted by the affirmative vote of nine members.

Attest:- D. Margaret Drury, City Clerk.

A true copy;

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 City Clerk

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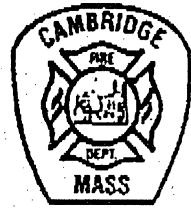


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FIRE DEPARTMENT

HEADQUARTERS

491 BROADWAY, CAMBRIDGE, MA 02138



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WALTER J. ELLIS
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May 10, 1995

OUTDOOR COOKING

The Cambridge Fire Department does NOT ALLOW the use of hibachis, grills, etc., on porches, balconies or roofs. This is in accordance with Massachusetts General Law Chapter 148, Section 28.

Storage or use of liquified petroleum gas (LP Gas) containers in a building used for habitation is prohibited. The Commonwealth of Massachusetts, Board of Fire Prevention Regulations 527 CMR Section 6.07 (5) (a).

Per order,

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3-deckers damaged, 24 homeless in early-morning Somerville fire

By Carter Nelsen
GLOBE CORRESPONDENT

SOMERVILLE - Twenty-four residents here, many of them college students, spent yesterday salvaging their belongings and searching for new homes after a five-alarm fire yesterday morning gutted one apartment building and seriously damaged another.

Four firefighters suffered minor injuries in the blaze, which broke out on the first-floor back porch of a wooden three-story apartment on Dane Street in southeast Somerville. Investigators believe a candle left burning on the porch might have sparked the fire at about 5 a.m., Somerville Fire Chief Kevin Kelleher said.

In all, five buildings sustained more than \$300,000 in damage, Kelleher said. Residents were saved from injury or death by smoke alarms and by the work of Boston and Somerville firefighters, Kelleher said.

"It's a very congested neighborhood, and they did a tremendous job containing a potentially tragic fire," Kelleher said of the firefighters. "They're all big three-deckers there, and they're absolutely burnable."

The building at 74-76 Dane St., where the fire broke out, was almost destroyed. The roof and parts of the upstairs floor collapsed, and the charred outer walls were gaping with holes. No trace remained yesterday of any of the three rear porches.

A three-story building next door suffered major damage on the second and third floors after the fire jumped from the top of the first building, residents said. When firefighters arrived, both buildings were engulfed in flames.

Three other adjacent buildings sustained minor fire damage.



A firefighter looks out of a burned house in Somerville yesterday. Firefighters from several towns battled the Dane Street blaze.

GLOBE STAFF PHOTO / TOM LANDERS

Macedo, a city councilor, told the mayor, told the court she wanted to go into a restraining order and that she would have a lawyer on her behalf at the arraignment and that she would ask for a restraining order against him, Markey said.

Five days later, a restraining order was issued against her.

Macedo showed up to court, but she and told her she would force Macedo to leave even though his name was not on the list of Macedo's apartment number or anything to remove.

As a result, in court the next day, Karen Macedo told the judge that you can conceal a judge of the court tells me there's nothing you to take, yet you there are children's that you need, as a washer and stove.

McGregor found testimony "not credible" and dismissed the restraining order.

The following day, she filed a cross complaint for battery against him. She presided over her own pretrial conference.

In his response, she was willing to accept a plea because he recognized the impropriety of "ex parte" or one-party proceedings.

Nelson Macedo was charged with criminal charges. Markey was on her side at the trial.

In a separate allegation, Markey failed to warn defendants pleading guilty of the crime. During June 1996, the commission charged 35 cases in which he failed to give the warnings. He alleged that his practice only after the trial started.

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October 16, 1997

Fax to Donna Lopez from Frank Duehay

~~Please attach the enclosed regulation of the Fire Department and newspaper article to the order for Monday's meeting.~~

Duehay

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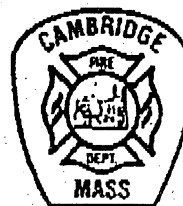


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