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City of Cambridge

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IN CITY COUNCIL

June 23, 1997

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

RESOLVED: That this City Council go on record extending its congratulations to Robert W. Healy, City Manager, James Maloney, Assistant City Manager for Fiscal Affairs and all City Staff for the Aaa bond rating, the highest rate possible, that the City of Cambridge recently received.

In City Council June 23, 1997
Adopted by the affirmative vote of nine members.
Attest:- D. Margaret Drury, City Clerk.

A true copy;

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City Clerk

Councillor Davis
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Order; Davis, K Born

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Congratulations to the CM, Treasurer James Maloney & other city staff on the Aaa Rating

June 16, 1997

To The Honorable, The City Council:

I am extremely pleased to inform the City Council that Moody's Investors Service has increased its rating of the City's debt to Aaa, the highest rating level possible. The revised rating, issued in response to Moody's recent review of the City's finances and done in conjunction with this week's sale of $9,905,000 in City debt, marks the first time in the City's history that it has been Aaa rated. The rating review also represents the sixth time that Moody's has increased its rating of the debt since 1981.

With the assignment of a Aaa credit rating, Cambridge becomes the second city in Massachusetts and one of only 32 nationally to be so highly rated. The City Council should take tremendous satisfaction in the City's unparalleled credit rating, which is a result of the sound financial policies adhered to by the City Council. The rating increase also comes at a time when the City expects to issue over $100,000,000 in debt over the next few years to finance such major projects as the new Water Treatment Plant ($60,000,000); the Cambridge Hospital ($30,000,000); and the new Morse and Fitzgerald elementary schools ($25,000,000). The City's top rated credit rating not only allows the City to undertake such major projects but also saves millions of dollars on interest payments over the life of the debt.

I have included a copy of the credit report issued by Moody's. In the report, Moody's cites the city's low level of bonded debt, very conservative debt structure, rebounding tax base, strong financial management and prudent long-term financial/capital planning as factors in its rating increase.

Very truly yours,

Robert W. Healy
City Manager

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Entire Membership

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