



City of Cambridge

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IN CITY COUNCIL

April 28, 1997

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COUNCILLOR DAVIS
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Adopted by the affirmative vote of nine members.

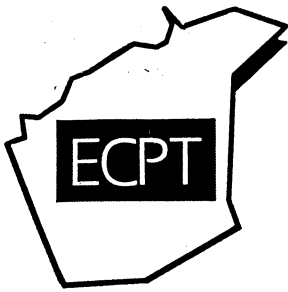
Attest:- D. Margaret Drury, City Clerk.

A true copy;

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "D. Margaret Drury".

ATTEST:-

D. Margaret Drury
City Clerk



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EAST CAMBRIDGE PLANNING TEAM

A Neighborhood Organization for the Betterment of East Cambridge

MS

Tuesday, April 22, 1997

Joseph Prendergast
M.P. Associates / Prendergast Development Corp.
320 Hamilton St.
Leominster, MA 01453

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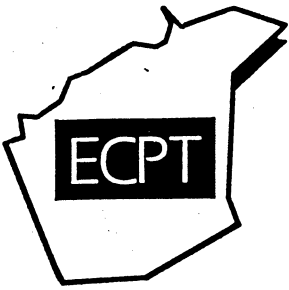
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