

Wellington-Harrington Citizens Committee
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Cambridge City Council
City Hall
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Dear Councillors:

The Wellington-Harrington Citizens Committee would like to endorse the re-opening of the Langley Teen Center for the operation of a teen multi-service program by the Youth Resources Bureau (YRB).

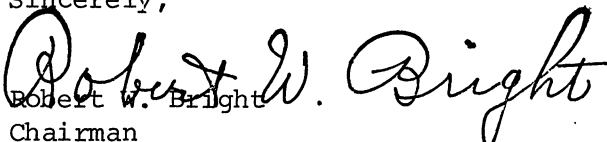
Our Committee met recently with staff of the YRB and members of the City Manager's task force which has been studying the teen services problem in our community. We were impressed by the amount of time and effort which has been put into working with the youth of the neighborhood to develop a program which will address itself to the expressed needs of the teens. Utilizing the Langley Teen Center facility and a second location at 1053 Cambridge Street, the YRB proposes to greatly expand on the traditional recreation activities which have been available in the Teen Center, and to provide in addition a variety of services in the areas of job training, alternative education, and drugs and alcohol programs. The Citizens Committee feels that this is the type of approach which is needed, and would like to see it put into effect as quickly as possible.

We are confident that the YRB, in taking this multi-service approach and in providing the level of supervision they have proposed, will be able to avoid many of the problems which have plagued the Langley Teen Center, and offer real services to our community's youth. The Citizens Committee will be available to work with the YRB, the community board of the Teen Center, the City Council, or any other groups or agencies to bring about an effective and useful program for our teenagers.

We would appreciate the cooperation of the City Council in taking whatever actions are necessary to insure that the Langley Teen Center will be re-opened and these new programs will be put into operation as quickly as possible.

Thank you.

Sincerely,


Robert W. Bright
Chairman

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cc: Mr. Kerry Saravelas, Director, YRB
Ms. Deidre Sullivan, Chairman
Roosevelt Towers Steering Committee of the
Langley Teen Center

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Wellington-Harrington Citizens Committee
endorses the reopening of the Langley
Teen Center.

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