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Cambridge City Council
Cambridge, MA 02139

Dear Council Members,

I want to ask you to please consider my opinion about an important matter. I have been following the recent debates over property rights in Cambridge for a little while, now, and I believe that the task of the City Council is clear: Because of the difference between the rights of owners of conforming lots and houses and the rights of owners of nonconforming lots and houses, there is political inequality among the residents of Cambridge. Therefore, in order to remedy this situation, the rights of all the residents of Cambridge in terms of their right to build on or make additions to property need to be made uniform. We cannot favor one type of property owner over another, because this is unfair. Would you therefore please endorse an amendment to bring all the property rights of the residents of Cambridge into agreement? Please place no restrictions on the non-conforming property which do not exist for the conforming property, and vice-versa. This is only fair.

Very truly yours,

Lee Farris

(220 Erie St.)

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To the Cambridge City Council,

Please give a resounding "YES" to the amendment to the building laws that would give all residential property owners equal privileges. I understand that Massachusetts zoning laws give equal rights to owners and that local laws are supposed to adhere to the state laws. I applaud you all for finally recognizing this discrepancy, and correcting it.

Yours Truly,

Ben McCommon

(Ben McCommon)

220 Erie St.

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Consent Comm. # 11

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Two communications requesting support from the City Council on the proposed amendment to the Zoning Ordinances in Section 8.22 regarding non-conformance.

In City Council,

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