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Paul Healy, City Clerk
795 Massachusetts Avenue
Cambridge, MA

Dear Sir:

I, Harold Fleming of 39 Jefferson Street, wish to oppose a driveway located at 37 Jefferson Street. My reasons for this objection are as follows:

1. Upon inspection of this driveway by the Building Department, they found that the driveway is only 11 feet wide. The law calls for 8 feet by 20 feet for car space, 5 feet from the lot line, and 5 feet from the house. This is a violation as 37 Jefferson Street does not meet these specifications.
2. Upon inspection by the Fire Department they stated that in case of fire, the Fire Department could run hoses into this area, but not men carrying ladders due to the closeness of the buildings. This would make fire fighting very difficult at 37R Jefferson Street Rear (2 family wooden dwelling). This two family dwelling is occupied by elderly people with no second means of egress.
3. Within a period of a few years we have had three children burnt to death at 719 Cambridge Street, two children at 17 Marian Street, and one male adult at 19R Jefferson Street. This is a total of six lives lost due to fires in this one block area.
4. This is a third class area which consist of all wooden two and three family houses.

Respectfully,

Harold Fleming
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Communication from Harold Fleming of 39
Jefferson Street in opposition to any
driveways on Jefferson Street.

In City Council,
June 23, 1980

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Fleming, 39 Jefferson St.
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