



# City of Cambridge

91.

IN CITY COUNCIL

July 27, 1998

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

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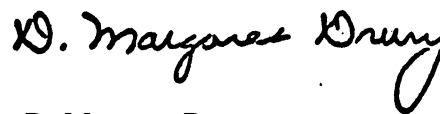
Adopted by a ye and nay vote:-

Yeas 9; Nays 0; Absent 0.

Attest:- D. Margaret Drury, City Clerk.

A true copy;

ATTEST:-



D. Margaret Drury  
City Clerk

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MASSACHUSETTS

In City Council 7/27/98, 199

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	YEA	NAY	ABSENT	PRESENT
Ms. Kathleen L. Born	✓			
Ms. Henrietta Davis	✓			
V. Mayor Anthony Galluccio	✓			
Mr. Kenneth E. Reeves	✓			
Ms. Sheila T. Russell	✓			
Mr. Michael A. Sullivan	✓			
Mr. Timothy J. Toomey, Jr.	✓			
Ms. Katherine Triantafillou	✓			
Mayor Francis H. Duehay	✓			

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Consent Order #91 368CM

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**ORDER ADOPTED**

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