



The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

IN THE YEAR ONE THOUSAND NINE HUNDRED AND SEVENTY-

AN ACT TO CLARIFY THE CAMBRIDGE RENT CONTROL LAW AS PREVENTING THE EVICTION OF ELDERLY TENANTS IN CONTROLLED CONDOMINIUM UNITS AS THE RESULT OF CONVERSION.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Court assembled, and by the authority of the same, as follows:

SECTION 1. Subsection (a) of Section 9 of Chapter 36 of the Acts of 1976 is amended by striking out paragraph (8) and inserting in its place the following paragraph:

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SECTION 2. This Act shall take effect upon its passage, but shall not impair any existing rights of a condominium unit purchaser who recorded

To the Honorable Senate and House of Representatives of The Commonwealth of Massachusetts
in General Court assembled.

The undersigned, citizens of CAMBRIDGE, respectfully
petition for the passage of the accompanying bill or resolve, and/or for legislation

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OF ELDERLY TENANTS IN CONTROLLED CONDOMINIUM UNITS AS THE RESULT OF CONVERSION.

Petitioners are requested to sign names and addresses legibly.

Alfred Pellicci	42 Porter street Cambridge
Sandra Graham	28th Middlesex
Myra Ann P...	2 Wilson St. C.D. Cambridge
Mr. H. Aubrey	26 Lowell St. Cambridge
John A. L...	100 Fresh Pond Parkway Cambridge
Thomas W. D...	19 Richmond Ave. Ash.

a unit deed or entered into a purchase-and-sale agreement before its effective date.

SECTION 3. The provisions of this Act are severable. If a court declares invalid any such provision, or its application to any person or circumstance, the invalidity shall not affect the validity of any other provision or application.

Filing of legislation RE PROHIBITION

City of Cambridge

OF ~~Excluded Persons from Condo~~
MASSACHUSETTS

CONVULSION HITS

In City Council

December 8 1979

Calendar #14

	YEA	NAY	ABSENT	PRESENT
Mr. Crane		✓		
Mr. Duehay	✓			
Mr. Frisoli			✓	
Ms. Graham	✓			
Ms. Preusser	✓			
Mr. Sullivan			✓	
Mr. Vellucci	✓			
Mr. Wylie	✓			
Mayor Danehy	✓			

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City of Cambridge

CALENDAR ITEM NO. 14.

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IN CITY COUNCIL

November 19, 1979

COUNCILOR GRAHAM

- WHEREAS: Chapter 36 of the Acts of 1976 declared the existence of a housing emergency in the City of Cambridge because of a substantial and increasing shortage of decent rental housing accommodations especially for families of low and moderate income and for elderly people on fixed incomes, and accordingly continued the rent and eviction control program; and
- WHEREAS: That Act also declared the public policy of this City that conversion of rental housing units to condominium units was not a valid reason for evicting tenants; and
- WHEREAS: That policy is being avoided by the sale of individual condominium units to landlords who under present Rent Control Board policy are then often able to occupy the units themselves, thus causing great hardship for the tenants evicted or displaced and further aggravating the shortage of decent rental housing accommodations which it is the policy of this City to alleviate; and
- WHEREAS: The housing emergency declared in 1976 continues and has worsened because of evictions resulting from condominium conversions; and
- WHEREAS: The eviction of elderly tenants, those 60 years old and older, imposes particularly harsh burdens on them because of their generally long stay in the community, hardship in relocating to another residence, and usual inability to afford the purchase price of a condominium unit, so that it is particularly important to clarify the policy of this City with respect to them; now, therefore be it
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In City Council December 3, 1979

Adopted by a yeas and nays vote:

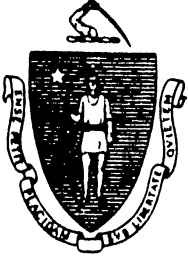
Yeas 6; Nays 1; Absent 2.

Attest: Paul E. Healy, City Clerk

A true copy,

ATTEST:

Paul E. Healy



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C. Graham re: filing legislation entitled
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12/3/79

Order Admored
on Motion of E.
Framan to file Bill
before the City Council,
November 19, 1979
beg. 12/4/79

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