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April 6, 1994

Cambridge City Council  
c/o The City Clerk  
Cambridge City Hall  
Cambridge, MA  
02139

Dear Councillors:

I am enclosing a petition from residents of the area adjacent to Mount Auburn Hospital. We are, for the reasons enumerated in the petition, very concerned by the proposal to construct a bus shelter opposite the hospital.

We also feel that you should know that under the sidewalk at the bus stop is a large Cambridge Electric Light Co. transformer vault. Access to the vault is through three manholes located within the bus stop. A standard bus shelter (5' by 10') would block the manholes unless it were placed at the extreme western end of the bus stop. Because of the location of a light pole and wheelchair ramp, locating the shelter at the western end of the bus stop would, in addition to restricting pedestrian passage by all citizens, present real barriers to physically challenged citizens and be violative of the Americans with Disabilities Act. We urge you to take appropriate action to stop the construction of the proposed shelter.

Respectfully,

*Joan E. O'Connor*  
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## Petition

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**Whereas:** A new bus shelter on Mt Auburn Street, near Longfellow Road would be unsightly and damage the residential quality of the neighborhood, and;

**Whereas:** Bus shelters tend to rapidly become covered with graffiti, posters and other unsightly materials, and;

**Whereas:** A bus shelter would be likely serve to exacerbate the problems of litter in the area, and;

**Whereas:** There is no real need for a bus shelter at that location because the existing shelter has a clear view of the street towards Harvard Square, is located adjacent to a crosswalk and a very effective crosswalk signal, and individuals wishing to use a shelter could easily use the existing shelter and cross before a bus reaches the westbound stop;

**Therefore:**

The undersigned residents of the Mount Auburn Hospital area hereby request that a bus shelter not be erected at the westbound bus stop at Mt. Auburn Hospital.

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ADDRESS

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| <u>Lawrence Kotin</u>      | <u>12 GIBSON STREET</u>   |
| <u>Henry Adelman</u>       | <u>13 Longfellow Rd</u>   |
| <u>Philip Adelman</u>      | <u>13 LONGFELLOW RD.</u>  |
| <u>Raymond S. Flanagan</u> | <u>15 Longfellow Rd</u>   |
| <u>Jocelyn F. Guinta</u>   | <u>17 Longfellow Rd</u>   |
| <u>John L. Guinta</u>      | <u>17 Longfellow Rd.</u>  |
| <u>Ewa Smorgiewicz</u>     | <u>19 Longfellow Rd</u>   |
| <u>Walter Pries</u>        | <u>10 Longfellow Road</u> |
| <u>Rebecca Pries</u>       | <u>20 Longfellow Road</u> |
| <u>Elaine Dunn</u>         | <u>25 Longfellow Road</u> |
| <u>Carlos Neri</u>         | <u>14 Longfellow Rd</u>   |
| <u>John Neri</u>           | <u>14 Longfellow Rd</u>   |
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Dr. H. W. Krieger 6 home fellow Rd Cambridge

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**Consent Communication #7**

Petition wa receive dfrom Joan E. O'Connor  
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Auburn Hospital.

**In City Council april 11, 1994**