



City of Cambridge

Calendar Item # 26

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IN CITY COUNCIL

~~October 18, 1993~~

October 25, 1993

MAYOR REEVES
COUNCILLOR DUEHAY
COUNCILLOR RUSSELL
COUNCILLOR WALSH

WHEREAS: Lead-based paints, lead-dust, and lead-contaminated dirt continue to cause elevated lead levels in our environment and continue to be the leading cause of elevated blood lead levels; and

WHEREAS: Lead can also be present in drinking water due primarily to lead leaching from residential copper plumbing using lead solder and lead in plumbing fixtures; and

WHEREAS: A recent Environmental Protection Agency report on 7500 large and medium size systems found that 819 public water systems serving 30 million people nationwide exceeded allowable levels in more than ten percent of their samples; and

WHEREAS: High levels of lead pose a particular danger to the physical and mental development of young children and infants; and

WHEREAS: Adults exposed to various levels of lead can develop health problems ranging from increases in blood pressure to anemia, kidney damage and mental retardation; now therefore be it

RESOLVED: That the Cambridge City Council fully supports the Environmental Protection Agency's lead and copper rule which requires notification of customers, corrosion control and public education on how to reduce exposure to unsafe levels of lead in drinking water; and be it further

RESOLVED: That adequate funding for the pursuit of public education be provided to local governments; and be it further

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RESOLVED: That the Cambridge City Council calls upon the Clinton Administration and Congress to set aside adequate funding for local government monitoring of lead in drinking water.

In City Council October 25, 1993.

Adopted by a yeas and nays vote:-

Yeas 9; Nays 0; Absent 0.

Attest:- D. Margaret Drury, City Clerk.

A true copy;

ATTEST:-

D. Margaret Drury

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City Clerk



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FOX RIVER BOND

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Suebay, Russell, Walsh
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Consent Order #5

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Mayor Reeves re: funding for local
government monitoring the lead levels
in drinking water.

In City Council,

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Charter right exercised
by Councillor Walsh

10/25/93 Order adopted

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