



City of Cambridge

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IN CITY COUNCIL

June 18, 2001

COUNCILLOR BRAUDE
COUNCILLOR BORN
COUNCILLOR DAVIS
COUNCILLOR DECKER
MAYOR GALLUCCIO
VICE MAYOR MAHER
COUNCILLOR REEVES
COUNCILLOR SULLIVAN

- WHEREAS: Each year, 5.8 million packs of cigarettes are sold illegally to children in Massachusetts; and
- WHEREAS: Although youth smoking in Massachusetts is beginning to decrease, 24,000 Massachusetts kids under 18 become new smokers each year; and
- WHEREAS: Each year, 10,200 Massachusetts residents die prematurely from tobacco use; and
- WHEREAS: Health care expenditures in Massachusetts directly related to tobacco use total \$2.4 billion annually; and
- WHEREAS: Increasing tobacco prices has proven to be the single most effective way to reduce tobacco use, particularly among children; and
- WHEREAS: House Bill 2169 would increase taxes on a pack of cigarettes by 50 cents; and
- WHEREAS: The revenue from such tax would be used to increase health care coverage and access to 85,000 people, fund community health workers and provide smoking cessation treatment; now therefore be it
- RESOLVED: That the Cambridge City Council go on record in support of House Bill 2169; and be it further
- RESOLVED: That the City Clerk forward a suitably engrossed copy of this resolution to the Cambridge delegation of state legislators on behalf of the entire City Council.

In City Council June 18, 2001.

Adopted by the affirmative vote of eight members.

Attest:- D. Margaret Drury, City Clerk.

A true copy;

ATTEST:-

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "D. Margaret Drury".

D. Margaret Drury, City Clerk

From: MDrury@CI.Cambridge.MA.US (D. Margaret Drury)
Organization: City of Cambridge, Massachusetts USA
To: pcrane
Date sent: Thu, 14 Jun 2001 09:34:29 -0400
Subject: (Fwd) #4 (and i hope last)
Priority: normal

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----- Forwarded message follows -----

Date sent: Wed, 13 Jun 2001 20:08:41 -0700
From: Jim Braude <jimbBraude@mediaone.net>
To: mdrury@ci.cambridge.ma.us
Subject: #4 (and i hope last)

1. Order on cigarette tax:

Whereas (hereinafter W) 5.8 million packs of cigarettes are sold illegally to children in mass. each year

W although youth smoking in Mass. is beginning to decrease, 24,000 Mass. kids under 18 become new smokers each year

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Resolved that the CCC endorse House Bill 2169

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2. Order dedicating some corner to Edward Kelly (I have no idea how to write such an order, so thanks in advance for your help). I believe that Galluccio will co-sponsor this. Can you call Terry? (Remind him that

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this was Shawn Murphy and John O'Connor's friend).

----- End of forwarded message -----

D. Margaret Drury
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Order #8

City Council support of House Bill
2169 which will increase taxes on
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Councillor Braude

In City Council June 18, 2001

ORDER ADOPTED