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December 16, 1985

To the Honorable, the City Council:

With respect to the City Council's request for a report relative to a communication from Ann Brewster Weeks (which appears as Awaiting Report Item No. 38), please be advised as follows.

As the City Council is aware, I was extremely active and devoted many hours to the crafting of the compromise legislation that resulted in the statute that addresses the Boston Harbor Clean-Up issue. Additionally, I served as Chairman, Pro Tem, of the Advisory Board during its difficult organizational period. This service resulted in the appointment of the MWRA Board of Directors which legally holds the true power in this organization.

Unlike the Middlesex County Advisory Board, where I have served as Budget Chair, Chair, and currently Vice Chair for the last six years, the MWRA Advisory Board has only advisory powers with no budget veto.

The recent meetings that I have not attended have been due to conflicts with other City of Cambridge meetings.

Despite Ms. Weeks' suggestions, the Mayor cannot serve as Chief Executive, and if I were to designate the Mayor, I would imagine the same conflicts in meeting dates would occur due to the busy schedule of that office. To solve this problem, I am notifying the MWRA of my designation of Everett Kennedy, Commissioner of Public Works, as the representative for the City of Cambridge.

Very truly yours,

Robert W. Healy
City Manager

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Re: response to Awaiting Report Item No.
38 on City representation on the Advisory
Board to the Mass. Water Resources Author-
ity.

In City Council,

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