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February 14, 2000

To the Editor
The Boston Globe
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Dear Editor:

Sarah Boyer's preview Sunday of her soon to be published oral history of Central Square in Cambridge at the Cambridge Historical Society Annual Meeting turned out a crowd more than four times the usual size. This certainly registers the hunger of Cantabrigians for a taste of their local history, but thanks are also due to Michael Kenney's article in the Saturday Globe ("Remembering Central Square" February 12).

Encouraging the study of Cambridge's past is the primary purpose of the Society, but we cannot take credit for funding Ms. Boyer's work to the tune of \$50,000 as reported in the Globe article. That credit goes to the Cambridge Historical Commission, a city agency who received the funds through the city budget by act of the City Council.

The Society applauds the Cambridge City Council for this, as did the attendance at the preview. Keeping our community memory in order through such efforts is how we keep our sense of being a community alive.

Yours very sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to be the initials 'WB' or a stylized 'M' and 'B'.

M. Wyllis Bibbins, President
Cambridge Historical Society

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February 16, 2000

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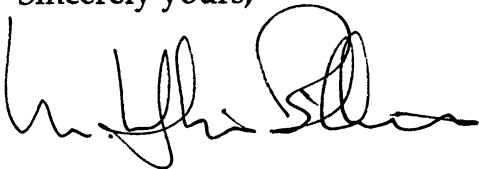
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Dear Ms. Drury:

I am enclosing a letter which I've sent to the Editor, The Boston Globe. It includes a correction to a Globe article and a thank you to the Cambridge City Council.

I would appreciate it greatly if you would distribute copies to the Counselors so that they are aware of this. Thank you for your assistance in this.

Sincerely yours,



M. Wyllis Bibbins, President
Cambridge Historical Society

Consent Communication #7

A communication was received from
M. Wyllis Bibbins, President,
Cambridge Historical Society,
relative to Sarah Boyer soon to be
published oral history of
Central Square.

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In City Council March 6, 2000

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