



City of Cambridge

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IN CITY COUNCIL

May 8, 2000

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Attest:- D. Margaret Drury, City Clerk.

A true copy;

ATTEST:-

A handwritten signature in black ink, reading "D. Margaret Drury".

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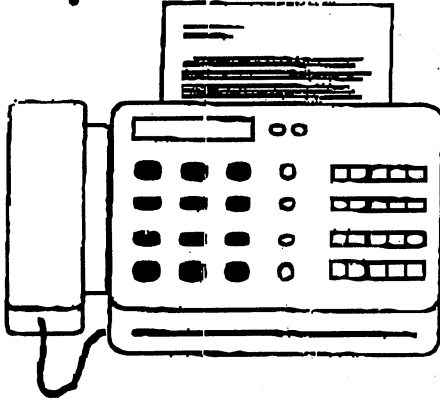
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"FIRST TIME EVER..."

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