



City of Cambridge

138.

IN CITY COUNCIL

September 14, 1998

COUNCILLOR BORN
 COUNCILLOR DAVIS
 MAYOR DUEHAY
 VICE MAYOR GALLUCCIO
 COUNCILLOR RUSSELL
 COUNCILLOR SULLIVAN
 COUNCILLOR TOOMEY
 COUNCILLOR TRIANTAFILLOU

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WHEREAS: This is blight on the neighborhood and in particular the surrounding properties which have been properly maintained; and

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NO ACTION TAKEN

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Consent Order #138

CM 486

Councillor Born re: Report on the status of
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No Action Taken

All September 23, 1998