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April 5, 1989

TO: James T. McDavitt, Chairman, License Commission
Chief Anthony G. Paolillo
Chief Thomas V. Scott

FROM: John E. Flynn, Deputy City Clerk JEF

SUBJECT: City Council hearing set for Monday, April 10, 1989

Enclosed you will find a copy of a communication from Neil A. Lahaie, President of the Cambridge Taxi Association, as received by the City Council at its meeting of Monday, April 3rd.

Pursuant to Mr. Lahaie's request, the Council has scheduled a public hearing to be held on Monday, April 10, 1989 beginning at 7 p.m. to discuss the matters outlined in his communication. Your presence is requested at this time.

The City Council has further requested that the License Commission provide a status report in regard to this matter at the aforementioned hearing.

Your kind cooperation will be greatly appreciated.

JEF/mh

Enclosure: Communication No. 13 of 4/3/89

Cambridge,.....March, 30 1989

To the Honorable, the City Council of the
City of Cambridge:

The undersigned respectfully pray

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The Cambridge Taxi Industry would like an immediate release from our side of the bargain. We would also like to ask the city to place an immediate moratorium on the issuance of additional livery licenses, until such time as there has been a study of the need for this type of service, and until there has been sufficient public debate on the issue.

We would like to request that the city notify all of the licensed medallion holders in the city, and all of the licensed drivers of the hearing date (this information is on file at the License Commission). This is a matter vital to all our interests, and to the City's future transportation needs.

Sincerely,

Neil A. Lahaie

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PETITION

Neil A. Lahaie, Pres., Cambridge
 of Taxi Assoc.
 a hearing before the Council Re:
 for actions of the License Commission
in licensing a livery service prior
 No. to completion of the transporta-
tion study & effect of same on
the March 14, 1988 agreement
between the Taxi industry & the
City.

In City Council, April 3, 1989

Referred to the Committee on

Attest:

4-3-89

Hearing to be Scheduled
 For 4-10-89 @ 7:00 P.M.

4-10-89

Hearing Held.

James McDavitt, License Commission, Chief
 Best + Chief Padilla notified of April 10 '89
 hearing by letter dated 4/5/89 which also incorporates
 request for report in time for this hearing.