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April 11, 1985

Honorable William Keating
Chairman
Joint Committee on Public Safety
Room 413B
The State House
Boston, MA 02133

Dear Senator Keating:

Pursuant to the request of the Cambridge City Council, I am forwarding to ~~you~~ the enclosed resolutions adopted by the Council on April 8, 1985.

As you will note all members present were unanimous in their support of House Bill 3922 relative to hazardous truck traffic in Cambridge as well as in their strong opposition to Senate Bill 386 relative to the issuance of permanent gun permits.

Your very kind attention in this matter will be greatly appreciated by the City Council.

Sincerely yours,

Joseph E. Connarton
Deputy City Clerk.

JEC/mh

Enclosures: City Council Order No.'s 14 & 21 of 4/8/85.

cc: Senators Michael LoPresti & George Bachrach
Representatives Charles Flaherty, Sandra Graham
& Peter Vellucci



City of Cambridge

14.

IN CITY COUNCIL

COUNCILLOR D. SULLIVAN

April 8, 1985

WHEREAS:

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WHEREAS:

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WHEREAS:

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WHEREAS:

Although licenses must currently be renewed every five years, S. 386 would make them good for life, unless revoked for cause; and

WHEREAS:

Chief Paolillo and the Massachusetts Chiefs of Police have declared their opposition to S. 386; therefore, be it

RESOLVED:

That the Cambridge City Council declares its strong opposition to S. 386 as a serious threat to public safety, and as an unacceptable interference with local police chiefs' judgment about the welfare of their own communities; and be it further

RESOLVED:

That the City Clerk immediately send copies of this resolution to all members of the Cambridge delegation to the General Court and to all members of the Joint Committee on Public Safety.

In City Council April 8, 1985.

Adopted by the affirmative vote of 8 members.

Attest:- Paul E. Healy, City Clerk.

A true copy;

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Paul E. Healy, City Clerk.



City of Cambridge

21.

IN CITY COUNCIL

April 8, 1985

COUNCILLOR CLINTON
COUNCILLOR WOLF
COUNCILLOR GRAHAM

ORDERED:

That this City Council go on record supporting House Bill No. 3922, the same being "An Act Relative To Certain Truck Traffic In Cambridge Transporting Hazardous Materials Through Cambridge From The Boston/Massachusetts Turnpike Extension."

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C.D. Sullivan re: resolutions in opposition
to S. 386, a Bill requiring Police Chiefs to
issue licenses for carrying firearms.

*copy of order sent with letter of transmittal to
Sen. William Keating, Chairman, Joint Committee on
Public Safety + Cambridge Legislative Delegation
4/11/85 mla (copy as then)*

In City Council,

April 8, 1985

4/8/85

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