

"CAMBRIDGE TENANTS FOR STRONGER RENT CONTROL"

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Honorable City Councillors:

Cambridge Tenants for Stronger Rent Control (and Expansion of it to Non-Rent Controlled Buildings & Apartments - Commercial & non-Profit), respectfully ask the newly elected Cambridge City Council, by unilateral or multilateral Cambridge City Councillor(s) proposal, to introduce, make & or pass an Ordinance ordering the Cambridge Rent Control Board to halve-(cut at least in half) the current exorbitant rents in rent-controlled apartments which in the last 4 to ten 10 years had been hit with such price-gouging rental increases by the Cambridge Rent Control Board to make or force rent-controlled apartments pay closer, similar & even higher rents like and than market-rent apartments-(not under rent-control)

For example: 3 apartments-Rent Controlled Unit (3-Apt. House) Rented Bldg. at 33 Trowbridge Street, Cambridge, has been increased rents by the Cambridge Rent Control Board, by ALMOST 100% PER CENT! in the last few years, and while most of the building has physically deteriorated & or deteriorated its upkeeping & services by the managment:

The unit #1 had been increased in rent from the \$400's level of 1984 to almost \$1,000 dollars per month by 1989 (thanks to prior evictio that allowed the landlords to make cosmetic few dollars painting & other unnecessary tricks that could have been done by the new tenants themselves for a total of a few hundred dollars at most or at once). It is important to take notice, that its current tenant is moving against her own will & strong desire to stay in Cambridge (own statement of Miss Susan Cohen to undersigner of this letter, made to him about 4 PM today) because of this almost yearly extorting rent increases by the Cambridge Rent Control Board, the last increase: Last week. The neighbors of Ms. Cohen (like in funeral mood) like the undersigned, are terribly depress by such a lost of a good neighbor and co-tenant. She is moving (not evicted to a more sense and more affordable "market rate" apartment out of town) therefore out of Cambridge in February because of gouging rents & hefty-unmercily rent increases by Rent-Controlled Cambridge Itself.

Therefore there is not wonder why so many landlords are getting so oppressively rich by ripping-off the tenants through the use and help of governments -politicians, offices and ordinances towards allowing higher rents, forcing the millions of tenants into outright overall persecution and flight or even homelessness (predicted by MIT landlord itself to rise to 20 million by late 1990's). And no wonder why landlords like the owners of 33 Trowbridge & about 100 apartments in Cambridge, The Krupp Brothers (relatives of the big gun-maker family Krupp in Germany & close friends of Adolf Hitler) have chosen to go big into real estate to persecute & get quickly rich off the tenants (like Krupp which so has in the last few years expanded its rental apartments stock from 1,500 units across the nation to now over 8,000 apartments.). Henceforth, this Communication asking the Cambridge City Council for an Ordinance towards cutting the rents by half through the Rent Control Board

Very Truly Yours,

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Comm. from Albert Puell, Cambridge Tenants
for Stronger Rent Control, requesting the City
Council to direct the Rent Control Board to
cut in half the current rents in rent controlled
apartments.

In City Council,

January 22, 1990

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