



City of Cambridge

3.
IN CITY COUNCIL
March 27, 1978

COUNCILLOR GRAHAM
COUNCILLOR PREUSSER

- WHEREAS:** The domestic needs of our nation will never receive the major attention they deserve, or the financing they require until there is a re-ordering of our national priorities; and,
- WHEREAS:** President Carter, despite his campaign promise to reduce military spending, has requested a \$ 10 billion increase (3.4% real growth above inflation) for the Pentagon while allowing most employment, community development and social service programs to lag behind the rate of inflation; and,
- WHEREAS:** Existing government agencies at the national, state and local level are all too often not accountable or responsive to the true needs our communities; and,
- WHEREAS:** A responsible policy requires that if we advocate increased spending for domestic human needs programs we must indicate where such funds must come from; now therefore be it,
- RESOLVED:** That the Cambridge City Council calls upon Congress and the Administration to:
- 1) Redress the imbalance between domestic expenditures and expenditures for the Pentagon by transferring funds, such as is called for by the Congressional Transfer Amendment. The thrust of the transfer process is to move money from programs not necessary to our national defense to programs that address human needs in ways that are accountable and responsive to the problems of people in our communities, and
 - 2) Establish a national conversion program that provides for retraining and employment guarantees to former defense workers and to provide for the economic revitalization of communities and industries affected by reductions in defense spending.

In City Council March 29, 1978

Adopted by the affirmative vote of 8 members.

Attest: Paul E. Healy, City Clerk

A true copy,

ATTEST:

Order # 3

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Graham & Preusser re: to the Congressional
Transfer Amendment and a national conver-
sion program.

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