

THE COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS

EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT

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CAMBRIDGE, MASS.

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GOVERNOR

Mr. Paul E. Healy, City Clerk
City of Cambridge
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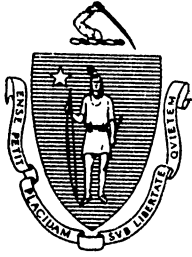
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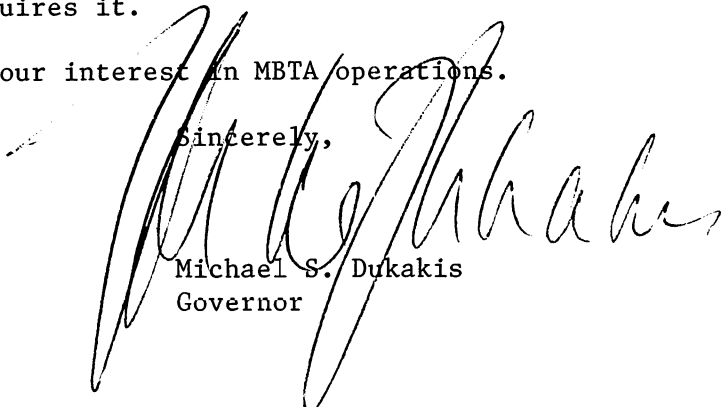
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Comm. from Gov. Michael S. Dukakis in acknowledgement & appreciation of resolutions adopted by the Council Re: keeping the out-bound side of the Central & Kendall Sq. MBTA stations open for passengers during the evening.

In City Council,

May 6, 1985

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