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To the Honorable, the City Council of the
City of Cambridge:
CAMBRIDGE, MASS.

The undersigned respectfully pray

that the City Council consider the rerouting of St. Johnsbury trucks from Putnam Avenue to Memorial Drive.

Putnam Avenue is a narrow, two-lane residential street. Children cross the street unaccompanied by adults and, as with all children, often without the caution they should exercise. People are trying to sleep late at night when these huge, noisy trucks roar down the street, shifting gears and screeching brakes. Many people who live on Putnam Avenue keep pets, which frequently wander in the streets, even when accompanied by their owners. These are long-existing circumstances. Within the last few years, another group is endangered by the trucks. Many people have accepted the bicycle as an alternative means of urban transportation. Putnam Avenue serves as a direct route to Harvard Square for many residents of Cambridgeport.

The St. Johnsbury truck depot borders Memorial Drive. Although St. Johnsbury may not now have access to Memorial Drive, undoubtedly, one could be arranged.

No one lives on Memorial Drive between the truck depot and the Western Avenue Bridge, where the trucks turn to cross the bridge and enter the Massachusetts Turnpike.

Although trucks are presently prohibited from Memorial Drive, the undersigned considers it to be reasonable, under the circumstances, that the City Council should allow St. Johnsbury and other large trucks to use only this stretch of Memorial Drive as an access to the Turnpike. We further ask the City Council to exercise its municipal authority by rerouting St. Johnsbury trucks from Putnam Avenue to Memorial Drive.

Peter Braver
472 PUTNAM AVENUE

PETITION

of Peter Braver of 4721 Putnam Ave.
Requesting the City Council to
for consider the rerouting of St.
Johnsbury trucks from Putnam Ave. To
No. Memorial Drive.

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 City Clerk.

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