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144 East Street
Apartment No. 4
Walpole, MA 02081
October 28, 1982

Mayor
City of Cambridge
City Hall
Cambridge, MA 02139

Dear Sir:

On October 23, 1982, I was a passenger in a motor vehicle on Massachusetts Avenue, Cambridge, driven by Andre Kolarevic. At approximately 1:30 a.m. he was arrested for driving under the influence.

At the time of the incident I was not drinking nor was I under the influence.

Mr. Kolarevic was taken from the scene by the Cambridge Police. I was told by the Police that I could not drive the car and the Police Officer told me that if I asked any further questions I would be charged with driving under the influence. With that, a tow truck came and towed the car. The officers left me on the street and drove off.

I am a licensed Massachusetts motor vehicle operator. My license was on my person at the time of the incident. There is no conceivably valid reason why I was not permitted to drive the car and extricate myself from a most difficult situation at 1:30 in the morning. Accordingly, the only realistic explanation for the police conduct is that there may well be an arrangement between members of the Cambridge Police Department and the towing services it utilizes whereby certain members of the Cambridge Police Department salaries are augmented.

I believe that the motoring public as well as the citizens of Cambridge deserve an investigation into the towing practices.

I also await your prompt reply.

Sincerely,

Nanci Wasserman
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cc: President, Cambridge City Council
Chief of Police

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Comm. from Nancy Wasserman Re: recent incident in which she was involved regarding driving under the influence & police actions taken in those circumstance.

In City Council,

November 1, 1982