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Ms. D. Margaret Drury
City Clerk
City of Cambridge
795 Massachusetts Avenue
Boston, MA 02139-1053

Dear Ms. Drury:

Senator Edward M. Kennedy received your letter of January 29, 1998, and has asked the Department of Housing and Urban Development to respond. In your letter your express concern regarding HUD's initial determination to reject the Temple Street and St. Paul's Residence projects submitted by the City of Cambridge seeking funding under HUD's 1997 Continuum of Care homeless competition.

I am very pleased to report that we were able to satisfactorily address the legal issues surrounding these two projects and are now able to conditionally award funds to the Temple Street Program in the amount of \$367,193 and to St. Paul's Residence in the amount of \$25,897. With this renewed funding, we are confident that these two projects will continue to provide quality services to homeless persons in Cambridge.

Thank you for your interest in the Department's programs. Please let me know if I can be of further assistance.

Sincerely,

Hal C. DeCell III
Assistant Secretary

Date: 2/11/98

United States Senate

MEMORANDUM

Respectfully referred to:

Secretary Andrew Cuomo
Department of Housing and Urban Development
HUD Building
451 Seventh Street SW.
Washington, D.C. 20410

My assistance has been requested
concerning the attached correspondence.

I am forwarding this to you for
your attention and consideration,
and would appreciate your prompt
reply directly to the constituent,
with a copy sent to me at:

2400A John F. Kennedy Federal Bldg.
Government Center
Boston, Massachusetts 02203

Thank you for your attention and consideration.

Sincerely,



Edward M. Kennedy
United States Senator

For additional information,
please contact SEUNG LEE at (617) 565-3170

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January 29, 1998

Senator Edward M. Kennedy
Russell Senate Office Building
Room 431
Washington, D.C. 20510

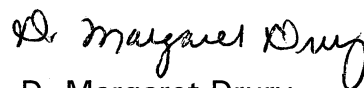
Dear Senator Kennedy:

Pursuant to the request of the City Council, I am forwarding to you the enclosed resolution submitted by Councillor Sheila Russell regarding the crisis caused by an omission of an essential supportive housing program from HUD's funding list. Also enclosed is a copy of a letter to HUD which provides additional details regarding this issue.

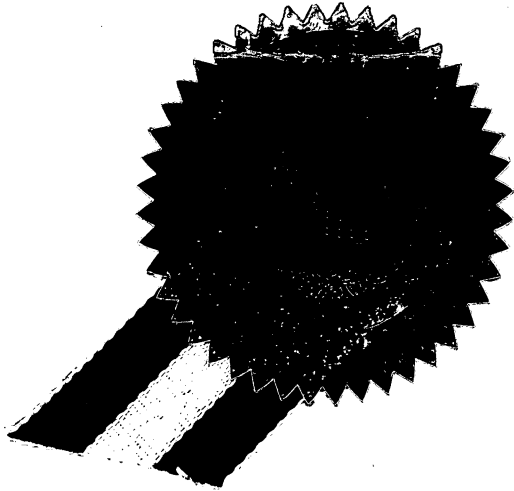
As you will note, all members present were unanimous in their request that funding for this program be continued.

Thank you for your immediate attention to this matter.

Very truly yours,


D. Margaret Drury
City Clerk

RESOLVED: That the City Clerk be and hereby is requested to forward copies of this resolution to HUD, our Congressional delegation in Washington, our State legislative representatives and to President Bill Clinton.



In City Council January 12, 1998.

Adopted by the affirmative vote of eight members.

Attest:- D. Margaret Drury, City Clerk.

A true copy;

ATTEST:-

D. Margaret Drury
D. Margaret Drury
City Clerk



City of Cambridge

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IN CITY COUNCIL

January 12, 1998

COUNCILLOR RUSSELL

WHEREAS: The U.S. Department of Housing & Urban Development (HUD) in its announcement of funding awards for supportive housing and services, omitted from its list the Cambridge YWCA Temple Street Program; and

WHEREAS: The Temple Street Program was listed as the number one priority for the City of Cambridge in the request sent to HUD; and

WHEREAS: The Temple Street Program has housed homeless, mentally ill women for the past five years and has assisted the City in meeting the needs of this underserved chronically disabled population; and

WHEREAS: The YWCA of Cambridge completed all aspects of required documentation and forms as outlined by HUD, but was excluded from funding because the original project sponsor did not file an amendment to transfer project sponsorship; and the YWCA/City of Cambridge staff were not directed by HUD to request an amendment; and

WHEREAS: Ten formerly homeless women living with major mental illness will be forced to return to the streets if this funding is eliminated; now therefore be it

RESOLVED: That the City Council go on record requesting the Department of Housing and Urban Development to allow us the opportunity to solve this crisis, working with our Congressional delegation in Washington, and our State legislators so that this program, which is so necessary, will be allowed to continue; and be it further

Consent Communication #17

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Communication was received from
Hal C. DeCell, III, Assistant
Secretary, U.S. Department of
Housing and Urban Development, trans-
mitting a letter in response to HUD's
initial determination to reject the
Temple Street and St. Paul's Residence
Projects.

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In City Council March 16, 1998

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