



# City of Cambridge

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## IN CITY COUNCIL

July 31, 2000

COUNCILLOR REEVES  
COUNCILLOR BORN  
COUNCILLOR BRAUDE  
COUNCILLOR DAVIS  
COUNCILLOR DECKER  
MAYOR GALLUCCIO  
VICE MAYOR MAHER  
COUNCILLOR SULLIVAN

WHEREAS: The City Council on February 1, 1999 passed Resolution 44 declaring a Housing Emergency in the acute shortage of affordable housing in the City of Cambridge, and implored the landlords to be cognizant of the severe housing shortage and to cease and desist eviction proceedings so that negotiations can take place in a reasonable manner; and

WHEREAS: Many of our neighbors, long-term residents, elderly and disabled, low to moderate income working people of Cambridge and their families are still being threatened with displacement and the loss of their homes due to escalating rents and eviction, and many are being forced to leave our community because of the acute shortage of affordable housing; and

WHEREAS: Mary Scott, who is a Section 8, low income tenant, has resided at 4 Douglas Street (owned by Lewis Roberts – Stu-Lin/First Cambridge Realty) for 22 years with her husband and four children; and

WHEREAS: Mrs. Scott had a lease until May 2001, but under duress signed a termination of tenancy that would take effect August 1, 2000; Mr. Roberts (landlord) had informed her that she would have to leave her home, as of July 31, 2000, as her Section 8 was being revoked, allegedly due to a breach of policy with the CHA; regretfully, she signed the agreement since she knew she could not afford to pay the rent without her Section 8; and

WHEREAS: The CHA overturned their initial decision and reinstated Mrs. Scott's Section 8; and

WHEREAS: Lewis Roberts, now refuses to accept Mrs. Scott's Section 8 and/or allow her to complete the remaining time of her lease to May, 2001; and

WHEREAS: Mrs. Scott, her husband and her three children-family will find themselves homeless, as it will be virtually impossible for them to find affordable housing at this point in time; now therefore be it

RESOLVED: That the Cambridge City Council urge Mr. Roberts to refrain from filing any eviction process against Mrs. Scott; and further be it

RESOLVED: That the Cambridge City Council urge Mr. Lewis Roberts, to renew Mrs. Scott's lease; and be it further

RESOLVED: That the Cambridge City Council urge the landlord, Lewis Roberts to re-accept her Section 8; and be it further

RESOLVED: That the City Clerk be and hereby is requested to forward a suitably copy of this resolution to Lewis Robert on behalf of the entire City Council

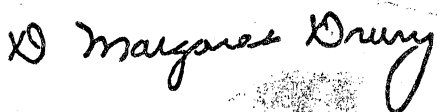
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Adopted by the affirmative vote of nine members.

Attest:- D. Margaret Drury, City Clerk.

A true copy;

ATTEST:-



D. Margaret Drury  
City Clerk

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RESOLVED: That the City Clerk be and hereby is requested to forward a suitable engrossed copy of this resolution to Lewis Robert on behalf of the entire City Council.

Addresses:

Lewis Roberts  
First Cambridge Realty  
902 Mass. Avenue  
Cambridge, MA 02138



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**Order #38**

Support for Mary Scott in threat of  
displacement at 4 Douglas Street  
**Councillor Reeves**

In City Council July 31, 2000

**ORDER ADOPTED**