



City of Cambridge

51.

IN CITY COUNCIL

September 30, 1996

MAYOR RUSSELL
VICE MAYOR BORN
COUNCILLOR DAVIS
COUNCILLOR DUEHAY
COUNCILLOR GALLUCCIO
COUNCILLOR REEVES
COUNCILLOR SULLIVAN
COUNCILLOR TOOMEY
COUNCILLOR TRIANTAFILLOU

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WHEREAS: Smoke detectors are our first line of defense against fire; and

WHEREAS: Research shows that having a smoke detector cuts our risk of dying in a fire nearly in half; and

WHEREAS: Even though 90% of U.S. homes have at least one smoke detector, estimates show that about one-third of all homes that have fires have smoke detectors that are not working, usually because of dead batteries; and

WHEREAS: The National Fire Alarm Code requires smoke detectors outside each sleeping room area and on each level of the home and recommends testing smoke detectors at least once a month; and

WHEREAS: A smoke detector that isn't working can't protect us from deadly smoke and fire, and "Let's hear it for Fire Safety: Test your detectors!" is an important message to communicate to our community; and

WHEREAS: The Cambridge Fire Department is dedicated to the safety of life and property from the devastating effects of fire; and

WHEREAS: Those members of the fire service are joined by other concerned citizens of Cambridge as well as business, schools, service clubs and organizations in their fire safety efforts; now therefore be it

RESOLVED: That the City of Cambridge, does hereby proclaim the week of October 6-12, 1996, as Fire Prevention Week. This week commemorates the great Chicago Fire of 1871, which killed more than 250 persons, left 100,000 homeless and destroyed more than 17,400 buildings; and be it further

RESOLVED: That the City Council encourages local participation and support of fire prevention activities at home, work, and school, and to heed the message: "Lets Hear it for Fire Safety: Test your Detectors!" as the 1996 Fire Prevention Week theme suggests.

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Adopted by the affirmative vote of nine members.
Attest:- D. Margaret Drury, City Clerk.

A true copy;

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Boen, Davis, Dwyer, Calluccio, Kewes

Consent Order #51

Sullivan, Toomey + Triantafyllou

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R-976

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ORDER ADOPTED