



# The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

IN THE YEAR ONE THOUSAND NINE HUNDRED AND SIXTY-EIGHT

## AN ACT TO RESTRICT TRUCK TRAFFIC FROM TRAVERSING, RIVER STREET, WESTERN AVENUE AND PROSPECT STREET IN THE CITY OF CAMBRIDGE.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Court assembled, and by the authority of the same, as follows:*

### SECTION 1.

Chapter 455 of the Acts of 1961 the same being "AN ACT ESTABLISHING A DEPARTMENT OF TRAFFIC AND PARKING AND A BOARD OF TRAFFIC AND PARKING IN THE CITY OF CAMBRIDGE" is hereby amended by adding at the end of Section Four the following paragraph:-

The Director may reroute all truck traffic from the following streets in Cambridge, River Street, Western Avenue and Prospect Street along public ways under the control of the Metropolitan District Commission and the Department of Public Works after consultation with the appropriate officials of the state agencies concerned.

NOTE. — Use ONE side of paper **ONLY**. Insert additional leaves, if necessary. Dates and numbers (except the section numbers of this bill) should be written in words.

To the Honorable Senate and House of Representatives of The Commonwealth of Massachusetts  
in General Court assembled.

The undersigned, ~~Citizens of~~ XXXXXXX City Councillors of the City of Cambridge, respectfully  
petition for the passage of the accompanying bill or resolve, and/or for legislation

AN ACT TO RESTRICT TRUCK TRAFFIC FROM TRAVERSING, RIVER STREET, WESTERN AVENUE  
AND PROSPECT STREET IN THE CITY OF CAMBRIDGE.

Petitioners are requested to sign names and addresses legibly.

Saundra Graham  
James Sullivan  
Kevin P. Crane  
Frank H. Dineen  
Orlando Wylie  
James W. French  
Thomas W. Donnelly  
Alfred Valentin  
Marilyn Ellen Dwyer

189 Western Ave.  
City Manager - City Hall Camb.  
16 Alberta Terrace, Camb.  
Cambridge City Council, 26 Council Street, Cambridge  
103 Fresh Pond Parkway Cambridge  
99 Trowbridge ST Cambridge  
19 Richard Ave. Cambridge  
42 Porter St. Cambridge  
2 Willow St. Cambridge



# City of Cambridge

IN CITY COUNCIL

May 8, 1978

Councillor Graham

ORDERED:-

That the City Council of the City of Cambridge goes on record favoring the filing of legislation entitled: "AN ACT TO RESTRICT TRUCK TRAFFIC FROM TRAVERSING, RIVER STREET, WESTERN AVENUE AND PROSPECT STREET IN THE CITY OF CAMBRIDGE".

In City Council May 8, 1978.

Adopted by the affirmative vote of 7 members.

Attest:- Paul E. Healy, City Clerk.

A True Copy,

ATTEST:-

A handwritten signature in cursive script, reading "Paul E. Healy".



# City of Cambridge

Councillor Graham

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IN CITY COUNCIL  
May 8, 1978

- WHEREAS: The Riverside, Cambridgeport, Model Cities and East Cambridge Neighborhoods are currently impacted by Heavy trucks carrying dangerous cargoes; and
- WHEREAS: Residents of these neighborhoods are having difficulty obtaining home improvement loans and mortgages; and
- WHEREAS: The streets of the City of Cambridge are narrow, congested, densely populated and are not designed for the use of heavy trucks; and
- WHEREAS: Most homes in these neighborhoods are of wood frame construction and located within fifteen feet of the travel lane; and
- WHEREAS: There has been a fatal accident and fire involving a gasoline tank truck during the past year in Cambridge; and
- WHEREAS: Several meetings between the Mass. Turnpike Authority, MDC, MDPW, Secretary of Transportation office, Residents of Cambridge and officials of the City of Cambridge have been held to discuss this matter; and
- WHEREAS: The City of Cambridge has requested that the 7 PM to 7 AM TRUCK RESTRICTION ON RIVER ST., WESTERN AVE., AND PROSPECT ST. be changed to a 24 hour seven days per week restriction; now therefore be it
- RESOLVED: That the Cambridge City Council hereby endorses the 24 hour truck restriction on River St., Western Ave., and Prospect St., and be it further
- RESOLVED: That the City Manager be and hereby is requested to direct the Traffic Director to submit to the MDPW and MDC the following alternate truck route for all dangerous cargo carrying trucks: From River St., and Western Ave., along Memorial Drive to Vassar St. to Main St. over the Longfellow Bridge to Storrow Drive Ext. to Route 93, 95 and O'Brien Highway.

In City Council May 8, 1978  
Adopted by the affirmative vote of 7 members.  
Attest: Paul E. Healy, City Clerk

A true copy,  
ATTEST:

*Paul E. Healy*

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C. Graham re: heavy truck traffic in the  
Riverside, Cambridgeport, Model Cities and  
East Cambridge neighborhoods.

In City Council,

May 8, 1978

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*Regulation drafted  
for consideration  
of the Regulators  
Copy of legislation  
prepared - enclosed  
with papers.*