



614 Massachusetts Ave.
Cambridge, MA 02139

March 10, 1988

TO: Honorable Members of the
Cambridge City Council
City Hall
Cambridge, MA 02139

RE: CENTRAL SQUARE ACTION PLAN

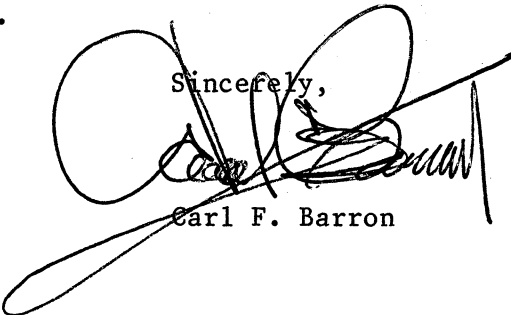
I wish to record the unanimous vote of our association in favor of the "ACTION PLAN" as submitted by the Central Square Economic Development Sub-Committee, to the Cambridge City Council. Our association has given lengthy and serious consideration to the plan, and, knowing how much time and effort was spent in developing said plan over the past several years, we feel that it is an excellent compromise on the part of all parties involved, representing the neighborhoods, the local business community, and the city government.

I, personally, was present at meetings of the sub-committee, of which I am a member, with Mr. Charles Sullivan of the Cambridge Historical Committee, at which times discussions were held about various changes and restrictions upon existing buildings and future development. Compromises were made and accepted by all of the members of the committee, and incorporated as part of the Action Plan, which we urge you to accept complete, as presented.

After spending hundreds of hours in serious discussion, and, to my complete belief, in the sincere understanding that what was recommended was in the best interest of all segments of the community, on a personal level, and as a property owner within the Central Square area, I feel that said Action Plan is fair, and that it does provide controls over large developments, yet, at the same time, makes it possible to have reasonable development take place by requiring the approval of the appropriate Cambridge City officials.

Finally, as Chairman of the Combined Cambridge Business Associations, we feel that support for a well-thought out, and progressive plan for a formerly blighted area of the city is worth considering, especially where so much effort has been made. Changes at this late date seem to be incongruous and completely out of place.

Sincerely,


Carl F. Barron

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Comm. from Carl F. Barron, Central Sq. Assoc.
recording said Association in favor of the
Action Plan as submitted by the Central
Square Economic Development Subcommittee of
the City Council.

March 14, 1988