

City Council
City Hall
Cambridge, Mass.

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56 Grozier Road
Cambridge, Ma. 02138
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Robert Healy
City Manager
City Hall
Cambridge, Mass.

Dear Mr. Healy:

We are writing in regards the demolition permit for 74-76 Putnam Avenue. Our son, Stephen, is a fourth grade student at the near by King elementary school. We feel the vacated, dilapidated, and partially burnt out structure at 74-76 Putnam was a serious safety hazard to the children at the King School and in the immediate neighborhood.

While not wanting to get involved in the administrative tactics that apparently were going on between the Rent Control Board and the property owners, we do feel the Rent Control Board was negligent in ignoring the safety of the neighborhood children. 74-76 Putnam was a structure where children could accidentally wander into drug use and dealing, be abducted into, or merely wander into, fall and be injured.

WE are relieved that the structure is demolished and this "tragedy-waiting to happen" has been eliminated. We commend Commissioner Cellucci for acting decisively and executing his duty to protect the public safety.

Yours truly,

Stephen Walsh
Rae M. Walsh

cc City Council
J. Cellucci

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Comm. from Stephen Walsh Re: demolition of
74-76 Putnam Ave. & the actions of the Rent
Control Board in this matter.

In City Council,

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