



# City of Cambridge

21.

## IN CITY COUNCIL

October 22, 1979

COUNCILLOR WYLIE

- WHEREAS: It appears that the MBTA has commenced remodeling the one single piece of modern and comfortable equipment now in service - the Red Line silver cars - to remove all the soft "fore and aft" seats and replace them with hard seats facing the centers of the cars; and
- WHEREAS: Sitting at a right angle to the direction of travel is much less comfortable than sitting facing into or away from the direction of travel; and
- WHEREAS: The purpose of the change is to crowd the cars more with people; and
- WHEREAS: Cambridge citizens have been discomforted by the "T" far too much already; and
- WHEREAS: The money spent for car remodeling would much better serve the public if it were used to keep more cars in service; now therefore be it
- ORDERED: That the City Manager be and hereby is urged to use his position on the Advisory Board of the "T" to reverse this program, to communicate the City Council's feelings to the MBTA and to the Governor, and to prepare contingency plans for a massive city organized public protest if in another month the "T" service continues to deteriorate with respect to adherence to schedule, protection of the public from the weather and increasing discomfort.

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 Adopted by the affirmative vote of 9 members.  
 Attest: Paul E. Healy, City Clerk

A true copy,

ATTEST:

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C. Wylie re: increasing discomfort of the  
"T" to the public.

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*Order*

*Adopted*