



CITY OF CAMBRIDGE

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OFFICE OF
THE CITY CLERK

July 28, 1983

Frances Chaikin
172 Auburn Street
Cambridge, MA 02139

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Your kind assistance is requested in notifying the appropriate persons you feel would like to be present at the aforementioned hearing.

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Deputy City Clerk.

JEC/mh

cc: Jack Martinelli



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Name	Address	Telephone No.
Edmund Cury	150 Eric St	827-9168
David Waldron	156 Auburn St.	876-5318
Catherine Trio	11 William St.	523-9636
Mark Waldron	156 Auburn St.	876-5318
Neil Smith	48 Pleasant St	876-5746
Joe DeLato	*156 Auburn St	None
Michael Smith	48 Pleasant St	876-5746
Frances E. Smith	48 Pleasant St.	876-5746
Walter Smith	48 Pleasant St.	876-5746
Adelina Waldron	156 Auburn St.	876-5318
James Waldron	165 Auburn St	491-0620
Kostas Passer	158 North Passer	547-2574
Mavis Waldron	165 Auburn St.	491-0620
Nancy Carlsson-Laird	154 Auburn St.	864-6368
Lynn Nichols	154 Auburn St	876-7916
Virginia Chalmers	154 Auburn St	876-9809
Beverly P. Smith	154 Auburn St.	354-0376
Richard M. Kinley	154 Auburn St.	354-0376

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Jay G. Jones	154 Auburn St., Cambridge	354-1613

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James W Caragians	4 William St	—
Mary C Loder	7 William St	
Judge W. Peferman	9 William St	
Queen Fern	9 William	
William H. Hallow	15 Williams St	864-2174
Albert R. Mullahey	23 William St.	354-2871
Margaret Mulds	23 William St.	354-2871
Mary A. Brown	6 William St.	
Mary Barberian	4 William St	
Eleanor Leddy	10 William St.	
Veta Reville	2 Williams St.	864-2322
James D. Albright	211 Green St	876-6943
Sarah Martindell	171 Auburn St.	354-1325
Richard P. Braun	10 Dana St	497-4116

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Cambridge, July 21 1983

To the Honorable, the City Council of the
City of Cambridge:

The undersigned respectfully pray

for a hearing before the Cambridge City Council, at its next meeting, August 8, 1983, to discuss under New Business, specifically, the rooming house at 151-153 Auburn Street; and to discuss the general situation concerning rooming houses in the lower Cambridgeport area.

Enclosed is a copy of signatures of residents in this area indicating their great concern over our present roominghouse situation in the area, but primarily 151-153 Auburn Street (presently undergoing renovation).

Persons to be notified of meeting:

Jack Martinelli,
171 Auburn Street
Cambridge, MA 02139
Tele: 924-7159 or 354-1325
(evenings)

or Frances Chaikin
172 Auburn Street
Cambridge, MA 02139
Tele: 492-1459
(days and/or evenings)

Enclosures: Lists of petitioners

*Submitted by Frances Chaikin
July 22, 1983
for
Petitioners on Enclosures*

S-394

PETITION

Jack Martinelli & Frances Chaikin

of Lower Cambridgeport Residents

for discussion at next Council Meeting
on Roominghouses, primarily 151-153 Auburn Street.

No. Auburn Street.

July 21, 1983

*Mr. Martinelli + Mrs. Chaikin notified of hearing + requested to notify others concerned
7/28/83 mhr*

*- Hearing Held -
- 1:15 PM Aug 8, 1983 -*

In City Council, August 8, 1983

Referred to the Committee on

Attest:

8/8/1983

for Ordinance # 20, # 21
City Clerk

*Adopted
at the
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