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**City of Cambridge**

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In City Council

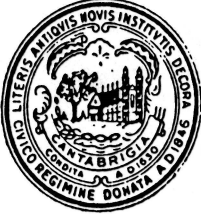
*June 25* 197*9*

	YEA	NAY	ABSENT	PRESENT
Mr. Crane	✓			
Mr. Duehay	✓			
Mr. Frisoli			✓	
Ms. Graham				✓
Ms. Preusser	✓			
Mr. Sullivan	✓			
Mr. Vellucci	✓			
Mr. Wylie	✓			
Mayor Danahy	✓			

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In the Year One Thousand, Nine Hundred Seventy-nine

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In City Council June 25, 1979.

Passed to be ordained by a yea and nay vote:- Yeas 7 ; Nays 0 ;  
Absent 1 ; Present 1.

James L. Sullivan, City Manager.

ATTEST:- Paul E. Healy, City Clerk.



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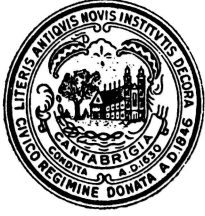
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