



# City of Cambridge

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IN CITY COUNCIL

May 5, 1980

COUNCILLOR D. SULLIVAN

WHEREAS:

Chapter 90, section 16A of the General Laws provides that, with certain limited exceptions, "No person shall cause, suffer, allow or permit the unnecessary operation of the engine of a motor vehicle while said vehicle is stopped for a foreseeable period of time in excess of five minutes," and punishes violation as a misdemeanour; and

WHEREAS:

This statute has at times not been carefully observed by city departments, other government agencies including the MBTA, and citizens in general; and

WHEREAS:

Observance of this statute is particularly important now, in view of the impact of fuel cost increases on the budget crisis, the need for substantial improvement in air quality, and the concern for energy conservation expressed in previous orders of the City Council; therefore be it

ORDERED:

That the City Manager call this statute to the attention of all city employees who drive motor vehicles, and instruct the Police Department to give priority to its enforcement impartially as to all vehicles driven in or through the city.

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Adopted by the affirmative vote of 9 members.

Attest: Paul E. Healy, City Clerk

A true copy,

ATTEST:

Order #1

F-171

J. D. Sullivan re: Chapter 90, Section 16A  
of the General Laws re: unnecessary operation  
of the engine of a motor vehicle.

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