



# City of Cambridge

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IN CITY COUNCIL

July 31, 2000

MAYOR GALLUCCIO  
COUNCILLOR BORN  
COUNCILLOR BRAUDE  
COUNCILLOR DAVIS  
COUNCILLOR DECKER  
VICE MAYOR MAHER  
COUNCILLOR REEVES  
COUNCILLOR SULLIVAN

ORDERED That the City Manager review the attached letter from Mr. George F. (Jack) Welch, Jr. and the attached memorandum from Mary Kolesar of the US Department of Housing and Urban Development and report back to the City Council at the next scheduled regular meeting regarding how the City will address this matter.

In City Council July 31, 2000.  
Adopted by the affirmative vote of nine members.  
Attest:- D. Margaret Drury, City Clerk.

A true copy;

ATTEST:-

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "D. Margaret Drury".

D. Margaret Drury  
City Clerk

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George F. Welch Jr.  
316 Huntington Ave. Unit 721  
Boston MA 02115  
617 267 0429

July 27, 2000

Arthur Goldberg, City of Cambridge Attorney  
Robert Healy, Cambridge City Manager,  
Beth Rubinstein, Asst. CCD Cambridge City Manager  
Darcy Jameson, Cambridge Housing Director  
The Cambridge City Council

Re: HUD's Support For The Relocation Claim of George F. Welch Jr.

Dear Mr. Goldberg, Mr. Healy, Ms. Rubinstein, Ms Jameson & Cambridge City Council Members:

As you know I have had on file with the City of Cambridge since March 1994, claims for relocation payments and for relocation assistance at Uniform Relocation Act levels because I was one of the tenants displaced from the 136 unit Cambridge YMCA building and whose unit was demolished as a result of the Federal financially assisted HOME Program 127 unit Cambridge YMCA rehabilitation project described in part in the US Department of Housing and Development (HUD) July 10, 2000 memorandum for James Barnes, Director, Office of Community Planning and Development for HUD's Boston Office from Mary Kolesar, Director of Affordable Housing Programs for HUD Headquarters, Washington DC, a copy of said memorandum is attached.

As you can see from your review of Ms Kolesar's memorandum, HUD Headquarters has determined that I am entitled to relocation assistance pursuant to the Uniform Relocation Act (URA) and has identified the City of Cambridge as the Grantee of the HOME Program funds thereby overturning, at my request, the May 12, 2000 determination by Mr. Barnes regarding my rights to receive relocation benefits, a copy of which Mr. Barnes provided the City through Arthur Goldberg of the City's Law department.

Based upon the July 10, 2000 determination by HUD Headquarters that I am entitled to relocation assistance pursuant to the URA and based upon HUD's general policies that the grantee is responsible for ensuring compliance with the URA in the manner described in HUD's Tenant Assistance Relocation and Real Property Acquisition Handbook 1378 as amended and based upon the fact that the City of Cambridge as been identified by HUD Headquarters as the grantee of the HOME Program Cambridge YMCA rehabilitation funds and based upon the requirements of HUD's HOME Program Antidisplacement and Relocation Plan, I hereby urge the City of Cambridge, Massachusetts through its attorney, Arthur Goldberg & its City Manager, Robert Healy & its Assistant City Manager, Beth Rubinstein & its director of Housing, Darcy Jameson & its City Council members to comply the HUD Headquarters determination and provide me with relocation assistance pursuant to the Uniform Relocation Act without further delay.

ATTACHMENT:

*George F. Welch Jr. Jack*  
George F. Welch Jr. a/k/a Jack

A Copy of HUD's July 10, 2000 Determination of the Relocation Claim of George Welch



U.S. DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING AND URBAN DEVELOPMENT  
WASHINGTON, D.C. 20410-7000

OFFICE OF THE ASSISTANT SECRETARY  
FOR COMMUNITY PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT

JUL 10 2000

MEMORANDUM FOR: James Barnes, Director, Office of Community  
Planning and Development, 1AD

FROM: *Mary Kolesar*  
Mary Kolesar, Director, Office of Affordable Housing  
Programs, DGH

SUBJECT: Relocation Claim of George Welch, Cambridge, MA

This will follow up our recent conference call concerning Mr. George Welch's claim for relocation assistance and payments pursuant to the Uniform Relocation Assistance and Real Property Acquisition Policies Act of 1970, as amended (URA).

As you are aware, Mr. Welch moved into the YMCA after being notified of the Cambridge Housing Authority's Shelter Plus Care rehabilitation project. He moved from that unit into a second unit which was not part of the original federally assisted project. Mr. Welch was then relocated from that second unit as a result of a separate federally funded project, involving a separate grantee, the City of Cambridge.

It is HUD Headquarters' view that, absent additional documentation indicating otherwise, Mr. Welch was displaced, without proper notification, from that second unit at the YMCA, which was demolished with HOME funds. Therefore, this office has determined that Mr. Welch is entitled to relocation assistance pursuant to the URA.

cc:  
CDD Polatsek, 8158  
DGH Chron, 7164  
DGHR Olu, 7168

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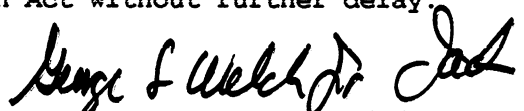
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Report on how the City will  
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Mary Kolesar of HUD  
**Mayor Galluccio**

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**ORDER ADOPTED**