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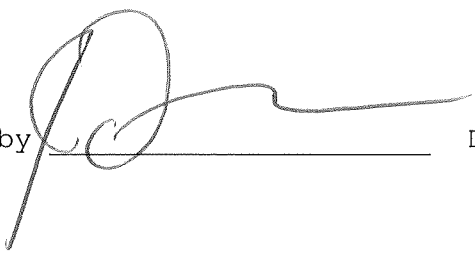


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Date: 8/2/21
To: Tanya L. Ford-Crump, Executive Director
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From: Charles M. Sullivan, Executive Director
Cambridge Historical Commission
Re: Request for Verification of Registered Voters

As required by Chapter 2.78.180 of the Code of the City of Cambridge, the Historical Commission requests that the names on the attached petition be verified as being registered voters of the City of Cambridge. ONLY TEN NAMES NEED TO BE VERIFIED TO VALIDATE THE PETITION.

Please sign and return to the Historical Commission via interoffice mail.

Signatures checked by  Date 8/5/21

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70. Joyce Frith Joyce Frith 19 Hubbard Ave.

71. Andrew Richards Andrew Richards 36 Hubbard Ave.

72. Patricia Battle Patricia Battle 37 Hubbard Avenue

73. MARLENE BROWN Marlene Brown 43 HUBBARD AVE

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104. Ann Douglas Ann Douglas Cambridge MA 02139
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132. John F Ladd 94 Brookline 02139

133. Steven Simard 237 Franklin 02139

134. Laurence Dottin 1221 Cambridge St #704 02139

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138. Kevin Demollo 240 Albany Street

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4. [Signature] K. Julianillo 5 Temple St #504
5. Michael Marano Mike Marano 5 temple ^{Cambridge, M.A} St #504

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7. Keona Brazil Keona Brazil 5 templest 206

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4. Guoxiang Luo Guoxiang Luo 5 Temple St. Apt. 302
5. Xingping Chen XINGPING CHEN 5 Temple St. Apt. 302

6. Jufu Liu 5 Temple Apt 405 (Jufu Liu)

7. Zhiguo Huang 5 Temple St. Apt 505

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