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IN CITY COUNCIL
October 4, 2010

COUNCILLOR DECKER
COUNCILLOR CHEUNG
VICE MAYOR DAVIS
COUNCILLOR KELLEY
MAYOR MAHER
COUNCILLOR REEVES
COUNCILLOR SEIDEL
COUNCILLOR SIMMONS
COUNCILLOR TOOMEY

WHEREAS: The decibel level of the bass of some car radios is at such a level that it causes an enormous disturbance and distress when said cars are in motion, stopped at traffic lights, and idling; now therefore be it

ORDERED: That the City Manager be and hereby is requested to report back on the language in the noise ordinance as it relates specifically to the noise of car radios and what steps the police can take and what steps residents can take to combat and end this disturbance.

In City Council October 4, 2010
Adopted by the affirmative vote of nine members.
Attest:- D. Margaret Drury, City Clerk

A true copy;

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "D. Margaret Drury".

ATTEST:-

D. Margaret Drury, City Clerk

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To the Honorable, the City Council:

In response to Awaiting Report Item Number 10-152, regarding a report on language in the Noise Ordinance as it relates to enforcement of loud car radios, Police Commissioner Robert C. Haas reports the following:

The Noise Control Ordinance in Article 8, Section 8.16 of the City of Cambridge Ordinance provides for enforcement of both measured and non-measured sound from vehicles and radios. The Ordinance authorizes the police to enforce the Section and violators may be assessed a \$300.00 fine. The License Commission has a Sound Meter and they will respond to calls to assist the police with enforcement issues, if necessary. The Cambridge Police Department, if made aware by citizens, will respond and evaluate the noise complaint and enforce any violations.

Very truly yours,

Robert W. Healy
City Manager

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