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APPLICATION FOR CERTIFICATE

1. The undersigned hereby applies to the Cambridge Historical Commission for a Certificate of (check one box): Appropriateness, Nonapplicability, or Hardship, in accordance with Chapter 40C of the Massachusetts General Laws and/or Chapter 2.78 of the Municipal Code.

2. Address of property: 13 Waterhouse Street, Cambridge, Massachusetts

3. Describe the proposed alteration(s), construction or demolition in the space provided below: (An additional page can be attached, if necessary).

We seek permission to attach to the front of our church a temporary banner advertising our Thanksgiving Day church service, which is open to the entire community. We'd like to hang the banner from Monday, Nov. 7 through Thanksgiving Day. It will come down as soon after the holiday as possible.

We've posted this banner before, but this year we want to display it for a period long enough to trigger the requirement to request permission.

In previous years we've attached the banner at the middle of the facade with ropes; this year we're exploring the installation of suitable hardware to use to attach the banner. At this writing we aren't sure which method we'll want to use.

We understand the Commission may choose to issue either a temporary certificate of appropriateness or a certificate of nonapplicability. Please see attached supplementary documentation for more detail.

I certify that the information contained herein is true and accurate to the best of my knowledge and belief. The undersigned also attests that he/she has read the statements printed on the reverse.

Name of Property Owner of Record: First Church of Christ, Scientist, Cambridge	
Mailing Address: 13 Waterhouse Street, Cambridge, MA 02138	
Telephone/Fax: (617) 354-2866 (781) 519-9109	E-mail: clerk@christiansciencecambridge.org
Signature of Property Owner of Record: <i>Mary Gottschalk, Clerk - First Church of Christ, Scientist, Cambridge</i> (Required field; application will not be considered complete without property owner's signature)	
Name of proponent, if not record owner: Ruth Walker (church member)	
Mailing Address: 22 Prince Street, Cambridge, MA 02139	
Telephone/Fax: 617-868-1908	E-mail: ruthwalkercambridge@gmail.com

(for office use only):		
Date Application Received: 10/12/16	Case Number: 3698	Hearing Date: 11/3/16
Type of Certificate Issued: _____	Date Issued: _____	

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12 October 2016

The Cambridge Historical Commission
Charles M. Sullivan, Executive Director
831 Massachusetts Ave., 2nd Floor
Cambridge, Massachusetts 02139

Application from First Church of Christ, Scientist, for permission to hang our Thanksgiving banner

Dear Mr. Sullivan and Commissioners:

I am writing as the contact ("proponent") for the efforts of my church, First Church of Christ, Scientist, Cambridge, at 13 Waterhouse Street, to get permission to hang a temporary banner advertising our Thanksgiving Day church service, open to the public. We have displayed this banner before but want to post it for a longer time this year, Monday Nov. 7 through Thanksgiving Day. We also hope that after going through this formal request for permission from the Commission this year, we can apply in following years and have our request handled at the staff level. We have this service every year on Thanksgiving Day, and seek a wider window of time in which to invite the public.

The following documents are attached:

1. Application for Certificate, as signed by Mary Gottschalk as clerk of the church, on behalf of the executive board of the church ("owner of record").
2. An image of the banner, which measures 6 x 2 ½ feet.
3. A detail image of the banner as it was hung a few years ago.
4. An image of the whole church, to provide some context. Note that the banner hung over the middle door.

As I mentioned in my conversation with Sarah Burks yesterday, and also note in the application, we are considering installing permanent hardware to make hanging the banner a little simpler. She gave me some useful suggestions on hardware on which I'm sure we'll follow up.

Thanks for your attention to this matter.

Sincerely,

Ruth Walker

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