Wiesner's courage on Bush appalled

To the Editor:

I must commend former MIT president Jerome Wiesner for his courage in demonstrating his clear disapproval of Vice President George Bush's remarks Friday night. Unlike his colleagues among the audience and head table, Dr. Wiesner refrained from applauding the Reagan Administration's nuclear arms policy, which Bush was announcing before the Sustaining Fellows banquet.

As a community we should be truly grateful to have such a bold leader among us. If every individual knows the dangers related to the nuclear arms race and the nuclear armament policy of Ronald Reagan and George Bush, it is Jerome Wiesner. Even after working under the Eisenhower and Kennedy administrations for nuclear disarmament, Dr. Wiesner continues to serve the country in his remarks and positions of today.

In light of the recent congressional victories which the Reagan Administration has received, few remarks have impressed me more than Dr. Wiesner telling me after the Bush speech: "I don't even think he (Bush) even knew what he said." 

Arnold Contreras '83

Incident was not unique

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1) The great disparity in what Contreras says he heard and what the desk workers claim to have said preclude any significant possibility of "mishearing." Either Contreras or the desk workers are lying.

2) Austin had seen his card in the correctly filed order the previous week.

3) Why would the desk workers be so moved as to throw away Austin's card if, as far as the desk workers knew, Contreras was coming over to Austin's card? What a show of arrogance on the part of Contreras ever arising?

4) The desk closed early as certified by the unanswered calls of Austin at 11:52 and the Disk Captain at 11:54.

5) One of the desk workers sought out the Disk Captain before Austin and Contreras ever arrived.

6) One of the desk workers told Austin that under the circumstances, he would have still thrown the card away. The BSU feels that this shows that the desk workers' story is highly implausible.

Austin demanded that the MacGregor House tutors and the Dean for Student Affairs Office be notified for taking the appropriate and swift action in releasing the workers.

The MacGregor incident is not unique to this particular house. It could have happened anywhere and it could have happened to you. We hope that incidents such as this one become less frequent in the future, for everyone's peace of mind.

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