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# The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

#### PRESENTED BY:

# **Garrett J. Bradley**

To the Honorable Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts in General Court assembled:

The undersigned legislators and/or citizens respectfully petition for the passage of the accompanying bill:

An Act providing for the issuance of certain restraining orders.

#### PETITION OF:

NAME: Garrett J. Bradley DISTRICT/ADDRESS: 3rd Plymouth

## [SIMILAR MATTER FILED IN PREVIOUS SESSION SEE HOUSE, NO. 1326 OF 2007-2008.]

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In the Year Two Thousand and Nine

### AN ACT PROVIDING FOR THE ISSUANCE OF CERTAIN RESTRAINING ORDERS.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Court assembled, and by the authority of the same, as follows:

Chapter 265 of the General Laws is hereby amended by inserting after section 43A the following
section:—

3 Section 43B. A person suffering from a pattern of conduct or series of acts over a period of time directed

4 at such person which seriously alarms or annoys that person and would cause a reasonable person to

5 suffer emotional distress may file a complaint in the district court or Boston municipal court department

6 of the trial court requesting protection from such conduct or act and the court may issue appropriate

7 orders to provide such protection.