

HOUSE No. 02867

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

PRESENTED BY:

Daniel Winslow

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 to Defend Marriage.

PETITION OF:

NAME:

Daniel Winslow

DISTRICT/ADDRESS:

9th Norfolk

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By Mr. Winslow of Norfolk, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 2867) of Winslow relative to civil unions or domestic partnerships Joint Committee on the Judiciary.

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In the Year Two Thousand Eleven
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An Act to Defend Marriage.

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

1 SECTION 1. Section 4 of chapter 207 of the General Laws, as appearing in the 2008 Official
2 Edition, is amended by inserting the following sentence at the end thereof:- A marriage
3 contracted while either party thereto has entered into a civil union or domestic partnership with
4 another person, unless such civil union or domestic partnership has lawfully been terminated or
5 dissolved, shall be void.