

SENATE No. 01573

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

PRESENTED BY:

Kenneth J. Donnelly

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 relative to flying flags at half-staff upon the death of a police officer or firefighter.

PETITION OF:

NAME:	DISTRICT/ADDRESS:
<i>Kenneth J. Donnelly</i>	<i>Fourth Middlesex</i>
<i>Thomas M. Stanley</i>	<i>9th Middlesex</i>
<i>Richard T. Moore</i>	<i>Worcester and Norfolk</i>
<i>James J. Dwyer</i>	<i>30th Middlesex</i>
<i>George Ross</i>	<i>2nd Bristol</i>
<i>James B. Eldridge</i>	<i>Middlesex and Worcester</i>
<i>Ann-Margaret Ferrante</i>	<i>5th Essex</i>
<i>Thomas M. McGee</i>	<i>Third Essex and Middlesex</i>
<i>Sonia Chang-Diaz</i>	<i>Second Suffolk</i>
<i>Bruce E. Tarr</i>	<i>First Essex and Middlesex</i>
<i>Carolyn C. Dykema</i>	<i>8th Middlesex</i>

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By Mr. Donnelly, petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 1573) of Dykema, Tarr, Chang-Diaz and other members of the General Court for legislation relative to flying flags at half-staff upon the death of a police officer or firefighter [Joint Committee on State Administration and Regulatory Oversight].

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In the Year Two Thousand Eleven

An Act relative to flying flags at half-staff upon the death of a police officer or firefighter.

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. Subsection (f) of section 6A of chapter 2 of the General Laws, as appearing
2 in the 2008 Official Edition, is hereby amended by striking out, in line 35, the words "; and", and
3 inserting in place thereof the following:- ". "

4 SECTION 2. Section 6A of chapter 2, as so appearing, is hereby amended by inserting
5 after subsection (f) the following subsection:- (f1/2) In the event of the death of a police officer
6 or firefighter killed in the line of duty, as the result of a direct adversarial force or at or by the
7 hand of an adversary, from the day of death until sunset of the day of interment in accordance
8 with such orders or instructions as may be issued by or at the direction of the governor; and