

SENATE No. 199

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

PRESENTED BY:

James T. Welch

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 resolve:

Resolve establishing a special legislative commission on young professionals.

PETITION OF:

NAME:	DISTRICT/ADDRESS:
<i>James T. Welch</i>	<i>Hampden</i>
<i>Angelo J. Puppolo, Jr.</i>	<i>12th Hampden</i>
<i>Karen E. Spilka</i>	<i>Second Middlesex and Norfolk</i>
<i>Michael R. Knapik</i>	<i>Second Hampden and Hampshire</i>

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By Mr. Welch, a petition (accompanied by resolve, Senate, No. 199) of James T. Welch, Angelo J. Puppolo, Jr., Karen E. Spilka and Michael R. Knapik for legislation to establish a special legislative commission on young professionals. Economic Development and Emerging Technologies.

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In the Year Two Thousand Thirteen

Resolve establishing a special legislative commission on young professionals.

1 Resolved,
2 that notwithstanding any general or special laws to the contrary, there shall be a special
3 commission on young professionals established to examine how the Commonwealth can better
4 engage, involve and educate young professionals in decisions and policies that effect them and
5 the Commonwealth. The commission will examine best practices and policies to retain and
6 attract intellectual capital that will make Massachusetts a place where young professionals want
7 to live, work and play.

8 The commission shall consist of 21 members, 1 of whom shall be appointed by the
9 Governor, 1 of whom shall be the secretary of housing and economic development or a designee,
10 1 of whom shall be the secretary of labor and workforce development or a designee, 1 of whom
11 shall be the secretary of education or a designee, 3 of whom shall be appointed by the President
12 of the Senate 1 of which from the minority party, 3 of whom shall be appointed by the Speaker
13 of the House 1 of which from the minority party, 1 of whom shall be the chair of the Berkshire
14 Young Professionals or a designee, 1 of whom shall be the president of the Worcester Young
15 Businessmen's Association or a designee, 1 of whom shall be the president of the Greater
16 Lawrence Young Professionals Network or a designee, 1 of whom shall be the president of the
17 Young Professionals Society of Greater Springfield or a designee, 1 of whom shall be the
18 president of the Northampton Area Young Professionals or a designee, 1 of whom shall be the
19 president of ONEinThree Boston or a designee, 1 of whom shall be the president of the Young
20 Professionals of Greater Lowell or a designee, 1 of whom shall be the president of the North of
21 Boston Young Professionals or a designee, 1 of whom shall be appointed by the Executive
22 Director of the New Bedford Economic Development Council, 1 of whom shall be appointed by

23 the President of the MetroWest Chamber of Commerce, 1 of whom shall be the Executive
24 Director of the Cape Cod Young Professionals or a designee.

25 When the commission sees fit by a majority vote they may add additional members to the
26 commission as recommended by the Governor.

27 The commission shall meet within 30 days of passage of this Act, and not less than
28 quarterly thereafter, and shall release final recommendations to Governor's Office and House
29 and Senate Ways and Means Committees no later than 18 months from passage of this Act.