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PRESENTED BY:

Robert L. Hedlund

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 rescind all previous calls for a federal constitutional convention.

PETITION OF:

NAME: DISTRICT/ADDRESS:

Robert L. Hedlund Plymouth and Norfolk

SENATE No. 00788

By Mr. Hedlund, petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 788) of Hedlund for legislation to rescind all previous calls for a federal constitutional convention [Joint Committee on the Judiciary].

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

In the Year Two Thousand Eleven

An Act to rescind all previous calls for a federal constitutional convention.

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

- 1 Chapter 281 of the General Laws is hereby amended by inserting at the end thereof the
- 2 following new section:- SECTION 11: Section 1. The Legislature finds that it is not, at the
- 3 present time, desirable to call a federal constitutional convention to amend the Constitution of
- 4 the United States. Section 2. The specific provisions of all previous Joint Resolutions making
- 5 application for the calling of a federal constitutional convention, are hereby repudiated and
- 6 rescinded Section 3. The repudiation and rescission provided for in this Act is strictly limited to
- 7 the portions of the Joint Resolutions making application for the calling of a federal constitutional
- 8 convention and do not apply to the alternative call embodied in the Joint Resolutions for
- 9 Congress to propose specific constitutional amendments to the states for adoption.