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## The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

PRESENTED BY:

***Tom Sannicandro***

*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:

An Act to ensure voter access.

PETITION OF:

| NAME: | DISTRICT/ADDRESS: |
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| *Tom Sannicandro* | *7th Middlesex* |

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By Mr. Sannicandro of Ashland, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 629) of Tom Sannicandro for legislation prohibit non-essential constructions or improvements to public roadways on days of primary elections and general elections. Election Laws.

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An Act to ensure voter access.

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

SECTION 1. Chapter 50 of the General Laws is hereby amended by interesting the following section:-

Section X.

(a) As used in this section the following words shall have the following meanings:-

"non- essential," not necessary to address an immediate threat to public safety

"State election" shall apply to any election at which a national, state, or county officer or a regional district school committee member elected district-wide is to be chosen by the voters, whether for a full term or for the filling of a vacancy.

(b) On the day of a state election and on the day of a primary to select a nominee for a national, state, or county officer, any non-essential constructions or improvements to a public roadway that in any way impede, interrupt, obstruct, delay, or reroute the normal flow of traffic shall be prohibited.