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The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

PRESENTED BY:

Daniel A. Wolf

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:

Resolutions Budget for All.

PETITION OF:

NAME:	DISTRICT/ADDRESS:
Daniel A. Wolf	*Cape and Islands*
James B. Eldridge	*Middlesex and Worcester*
William N. Brownsberger	*Second Suffolk and Middlesex*
Michael Barrett	*Third Middlesex*
Anthony W. Petruccelli	*First Suffolk and Middlesex*
Karen E. Spilka	*Second Middlesex and Norfolk*
Patricia D. Jehlen	*Second Middlesex*
Sal N. DiDomenico	*Middlesex and Suffolk*
Thomas M. McGee	*Third Essex*
Katherine M. Clark	*Fifth Middlesex*
Byron Rushing	*9th Suffolk*

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By Mr. Wolf, a petition (accompanied by resolution, Senate, No. 1750) of Daniel A. Wolf, James B. Eldridge, William N. Brownsberger, Michael Barrett and other members of the General Court for the adoption of resolutions to amend the federal budget. Veterans and Federal Affairs.

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Resolutions Budget for All.

Whereas Federal Budget decisions will affect the public good for years to come; and

Whereas budget decisions made in Washington have a profound effect on the people of the Commonwealth; and

Whereas on November 6, 2012 voters in 91 cities and towns across Massachusetts have by large margins expressed their support for a "Budget for All" non-binding public policy question with the below provisions, and have urged their elected state officials to address Congress and the President on their behalf;

Therefore be it resolved that the Massachusetts [Senate] [House of Representatives] hereby calls upon Congress and the President to:

1. Prevent cuts to Social Security, Medicare, Medicaid, and Veterans benefits, or to housing, food and unemployment assistance;

2. Create and protect jobs by investing in manufacturing, schools, housing, renewable energy, transportation and other public services;

3. Provide new revenues for these purposes and to reduce the long-term federal deficit by closing corporate tax loopholes, ending offshore tax havens, and raising taxes on incomes over $250,000; and

4. Redirect military spending to these domestic needs by reducing the military budget, ending the war in Afghanistan and bringing U.S. troops home safely now.